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**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

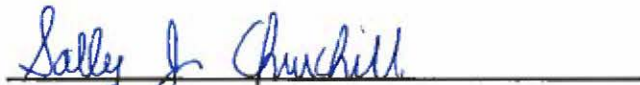
**Gail R. Luera, Ph.D.**, professor of education in the University of Michigan-Dearborn College of Education, Health, and Human Services, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2020.

Professor Luera received her B.A. degree from California State University in 1980, her M.S. degree from Northern Illinois University in 1984, and her Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor in 1998. She joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty as an assistant professor in 1998, and was promoted to associate professor in 2006, and professor in 2018.

Early in Professor Luera's career, she was the acting principal for the Orange County Outdoor Science School in Orange County, California. She also worked as a research assistant and graduate instructor at the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor and as a lecturer at Eastern Michigan University. At UM-Dearborn, Professor Luera served as the associate dean for the School of Education from 2006-10. As the committee chair and lead author, she played an instrumental role in the development of the School of Education's doctoral program proposal from 2006-10. She served as an external evaluator for two Michigan Department of Education grants (2013-14, 2015-16) and one National Science Foundation grant (2008-12). She was actively involved in the redesign of UM-Dearborn's general education program, serving on both the General Education Implementation Program Committee in 2013 and the Dearborn Discovery Core Committee from 2016-18. Professor Luera recently served as the project director for the Gateways to Completion (G2C) Program, a partnership with the John N. Gardner Institution that focused on improving student outcomes in high-risk courses.

The Regents now salute this distinguished educator for her dedicated service by naming **Gail R. Luera, professor emerita of education**.

**Requested by:**



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