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NOTE:	APR 21 2005

**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

**Norman E. Alessi, M.D.**, professor of psychiatry, associate professor of pediatrics and communicable diseases, and chief information officer for the Department of Psychiatry in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on March 25, 2005.

Dr. Alessi received his B.S. (1972) and M.D. (1976) degrees from Emory University, and completed his internship, residency training, and a research fellowship at the University of Michigan. He joined the faculty as an assistant professor of psychiatry in 1983 and was promoted to associate professor in 1989 and professor in 2000. He was appointed associate professor of pediatrics and communicable diseases in 1996, and chief information officer for the Department of Psychiatry in 1994.

A critical and innovative thinker, Dr. Alessi's work contributed to the University's reputation as a leader and pioneer in the development of educational, clinical, and research strategies. His early work focused on the identification and treatment of child and adolescent affective disorders and the use of pharmacological agents. Later, he broke new ground in the area of psychiatric informatics encompassing telepsychiatry, virtual reality, and web-based research applications. Within the department, he established the first psychiatric informatics fellowship in the nation and was recognized as Teacher of the Year in 1988. He served as director of the Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Inpatient Program (1990-94), division director of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (1995-99), and director of the Psychiatric Informatics Program (1995-2002). He also served on the President's Commission for the Information Revolution.

Dr. Alessi was the original visionary for the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry's website, and he founded the Psychiatric Society. He is a fellow of the American Psychiatric Association and the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and has been recognized in the "Guide to America's Top Psychiatrists" and "The Best Doctors in America." He is the author of more than 100 journal articles and numerous book chapters.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member for his dedicated service by naming **Norman Alessi professor emeritus of psychiatry and associate professor emeritus of pediatrics and communicable diseases.**

**Requested by:**

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Frank E. Beaver, Ph.D., professor of film and video studies and professor of communications in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2004.

Professor Beaver received his B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of North Carolina in 1960 and 1966, respectively, and his Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan in 1970. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as a lecturer in communications in 1969, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1970, associate professor in 1974, and professor in 1984. He received an additional appointment as professor of film and video studies in 1995.

Professor Beaver's contributions greatly enriched the culture of film within the University, the Ann Arbor community, and beyond. He was the editor of Twayne's Filmmakers Series, which documented the work of filmmakers such as Martin Scorsese, David Lynch, Ingmar Bergman, and Sydney Lumet, and he is well-known for writing *On Film: A History of the Motion Picture*, *Dictionary of Film Terms*, and several books on American filmmaker Oliver Stone. Professor Beaver authored numerous articles and reviews in professional journals and broadcast more than 700 film reviews and media critiques on Michigan Radio. He was a contributor to the *Detroit Free Press*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *Newsweek*, and WJR Radio, and he served on the Michigan Theater's advisory council and board of trustees.

Professor Beaver was chair of the Department of Communications from 1987-91 and served as chair of the Summer Program in London through the Office of International Programs in the 1990s. A much-loved teacher and mentor for undergraduate students in the film and video studies program, he also taught film history and documentary film courses in freshman seminars. Professor Beaver is the recipient of numerous teaching awards and honors, including an Amoco Outstanding Teaching Award in 1985 and an Arthur F. Thurnau Professorship from 1989-92.

The Regents salute this distinguished scholar by naming **Frank E. Beaver professor emeritus of film and video studies and professor emeritus of communications.**

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E. Philip Howrey, Ph.D., professor of economics, professor of statistics, and research scientist in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2004.

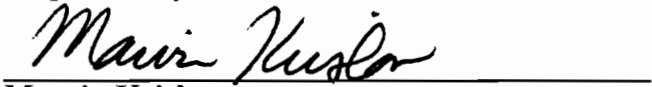
Professor Howrey received his A.B. degree from Drake University in 1959 and his Ph.D. degree from the University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill in 1964. From 1964-73 he served on the faculties of Princeton University and the University of Pennsylvania. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as a professor of economics in 1973 and received additional appointments as professor of statistics in 1977 and research scientist in 1979.

Professor Howrey has made distinguished contributions to time series econometrics, forecasting, and the analysis of aggregate business conditions. His research meshed contributions to econometric theory with applications to important issues in economic policy. Professor Howrey's early work focused on how to take into account randomness in macroeconomic policy analysis. More recently, he has explored how to use imperfectly measured economic variables for forecasting and policy analysis. Throughout his career, his research has addressed the problem of prediction of macroeconomic aggregates.

Since 1980, Professor Howrey has been associated with the Research Seminar in Quantitative Economics—the forecasting program of the economics department known by its acronym: RSQE. He served as chair of the Model Comparison Seminar, which is an international project whose purpose is to compare and improve macroeconomic forecasting models. He has collaborated with modeling groups at numerous centers of economic modeling activity throughout the United States. A beloved teacher and advisor, Professor Howrey caused many students to consider econometrics to be their favorite subject.

The Regents salute this distinguished scholar by naming E. Philip Howrey professor emeritus of economics, professor emeritus of statistics, and research scientist emeritus.

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Eugene M. Silverman, M.D., clinical associate professor of pathology in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2004.

Dr. Silverman received his B.S. degree from Brooklyn College in 1959 and his M.D. degree from New York University in 1963. After completing an internship at Maimonides Hospital and a year of residency training at Montefiore Hospital, Dr. Silverman served with the U.S. Medical Army Corps in France and the Supreme Headquarters for the Allied Powers in Belgium (1965-1968). Upon discharge, he enrolled in the University of Michigan's residency training program. He joined the University's faculty as an instructor in 1972 and was promoted to assistant professor in 1975 and associate professor in 1979. During this phase of his career, he was primarily associated with a joint program between the University and Wayne County General Hospital, where he was in charge of the Hematology Outpatient and Microbiology Laboratories, vice president of the medical staff (1980-82), and president of the medical staff (1982-85).

In 1986, after the University's working relationship with Wayne County General Hospital ended, Dr. Silverman returned to the Medical School as a clinical associate professor and as associate director of the MLabs Outreach Program; he was promoted to director in 1991. The outstanding success of MLabs is directly related to his administrative and clinical expertise. Dr. Silverman has been instrumental in the successful recruitment of hospitals, clinics, and physicians who utilize the professional laboratory services provided by MLabs. Dr. Silverman also has served as director of a number of community hospital laboratories, and he is a University of Michigan Hospital and Health Centers representative to the Joint Venture Hospital Laboratories program administered by the Michigan Health Corporation. This program consists of a network of hospitals and institutions in the State of Michigan who have negotiated managed care contracts with insurance carriers to provide laboratory services.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Eugene M. Silverman clinical associate professor emeritus of pathology.

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