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**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

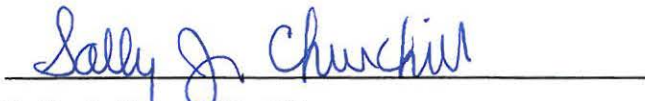
**Barry E. Bleske, Pharm.D.**, professor of pharmacy, College of Pharmacy, and clinical pharmacist, Pharmacy Services, University Hospitals, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2015.

Professor Bleske received his B.S. degree from Wayne State University in 1984 and his Pharm.D. degree from the University of Minnesota in 1986. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1988, and was promoted to associate professor in 1995, and professor in 2015.

Professor Bleske is a leader in the field of cardiovascular therapeutics with a special expertise in heart failure. He has made innovative and important contributions to the practice of pharmacy through translating his clinical service work to community practice. Professor Bleske's current research interests include genomics, epi-genomics and medication optimization in cardiovascular disease, the use of technology to reduce heart failure morbidity, the application of a novel clinical tool for heart failure assessment in community settings, and education research. He has a notable history of successfully securing research funding, authored numerous articles in the leading scholarly journals, and was a frequent invited speaker at national symposia. Professor Bleske has also served on the editorial boards of *Pharma Scientist*, *Clinical Research and Regulatory Affairs*, and the *Journal of Applied Biopharmaceutics and Pharmacokinetics*. An inspiring teacher, he implemented a successful heart failure traineeship for cardiovascular pharmacists, oversaw a complete revision of the pharmacy curriculum that emphasized team-based learning, and chaired the College of Pharmacy's Curriculum Committee. Professor Bleske was elected a fellow of the American College of Clinical Pharmacy in 1997 and received the College of Pharmacy's Teaching Excellence Award in 2012.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Barry E. Bleske, professor emeritus of pharmacy**.

**Requested by:**



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