THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Kathleen Cooney, M.D., Frances and Victor Ginsberg Professor of Hematology/Oncology, professor of internal medicine, and professor of urology in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on March 1, 2016.

Dr. Cooney received her A.B. degree from Dartmouth College in 1980 and her M.D. degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1984. At the University of Michigan, she completed an internship (1984-87), residency (1985-87), fellowship (1988-91), postdoctoral research fellowship (1989) and served as a chief resident (1987-88). She joined the University of Michigan's faculty as a lecturer/research fellow in 1991, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1993, associate professor in 2000, and professor in 2005. She was named the Frances and Victor Ginsberg Professor of Hematology/Oncology in 2009.

Dr. Cooney's research focused on the epidemiology of prostate cancer, genetic studies of hereditary prostate cancer, and therapeutic clinical trials for prostate and bladder cancer. She was a co-author of one of the earliest reports to describe a major gene mutation associated with hereditary prostate cancer in the *New England Journal of Medicine* (2012). Dr. Cooney has a notable history of successfully securing research funding, published numerous articles in the leading scholarly journals, and was a frequent invited speaker at national symposia. She held a number of key leadership positions, including chief of the Division of Hematology/Oncology and deputy director of Cancer Clinical Services at the Comprehensive Cancer Center. An outstanding mentor and advocate, Dr. Cooney has provided scientific and career development guidance and support to a generation of fellows and junior faculty. She received numerous awards and recognitions throughout her career, including the National Institutes of Health's Award of Merit (2010), the Department of Internal Medicine's Chairman's Award for Outstanding Service (2011), and she was inducted into the Medical School's League of Research Excellence (2011).

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Kathleen Cooney**, professor emerita of internal medicine.

Requested by:

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