

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the Regents

May 19, 2006

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Dennis R. Papazian, Ph.D., professor of history and director of the Center for Armenian Studies, Research and Publication at the University of Michigan-Dearborn, retired from active faculty status on April 30, 2006.

Professor Papazian received his B.A. degree from Wayne State University in 1954, two M.A. degrees in 1958—from Wayne State University (East European studies) and from the University of Michigan (history), and a Ph.D. degree from the University of Michigan in 1966. He joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty in 1966 as a lecturer in history, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1966, associate professor in 1968, and professor in 1971.

Throughout his 40-year career at the University, Professor Papazian taught courses in Russian/Soviet and Armenian history, including courses on Armenia and world history, Russian intellectual history, early Russian history, imperial Russia, and the Russian revolutions. In addition to articles on Russian history, he published widely in the field of Armenian immigration and the Armenian genocide.

Professor Papazian was appointed director of the Center for Armenian Studies, Research and Publication on the Dearborn campus in 1986, and served in this capacity until his retirement. He has served on the board of directors of the Michigan Ethnic Heritage Center and on the Society for Armenian Studies Executive Council. Most recently, Professor Papazian was appointed to the New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education.

The Regents now salute this dedicated and accomplished teacher and scholar by naming **Dennis R. Papazian professor emeritus of history.**

Requested by:



Sally J. Churchill
Vice President and Secretary of the University

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