THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Robert E. Quinn, Ph.D., Margaret Elliott Tracy Collegiate Professor of Business Administration and professor of organizational behavior and human resource management in the Stephen M. Ross School of Business, will retire from active faculty status on May 31, 2017.

Professor Quinn received his B.S. (1970) and M.S. (1972) degrees from Brigham Young University and his Ph.D. (1975) degree from the University of Cincinnati. He served on the faculty of the State University of New York at Albany from 1975-88. Professor Quinn joined the University of Michigan faculty as an associate professor in 1988, and was promoted to professor in 1991. He was named the Margaret Elliot Tracy Collegiate Professor of Business Administration in 1996.

A renowned scholar and superb teacher, Professor Quinn's research and teaching interests focus on leadership, organizational change and effectiveness. He has published 18 books on these subjects with his best-selling book *Deep Change* (1996) selling over 100,000 copies. The Independent Book Publisher Association recognized his book The Best Teacher in You: How to Accelerate Learning and Change Lives (2014) as the best book on education with a Benjamin Franklin Award in 2015. Professor Quinn's latest book is The Positive Organization: Breaking Free of Conventional Cultures, Constraints and Beliefs was published by Berrett-Koehler Publishers in 2015. He is particularly known for his work on the competing values framework. It has been used by organizations across the globe and thousands of managers have been trained in the use of the framework. In addition, Professor Quinn is one of the originators of the field of positive organizational scholarship and a co-founder of the Center for Positive Organizations at the University of Michigan. He has thirty-five years of experience consulting with major corporations and government agencies. He was elected a fellow of both the National Academy of Management and the World Business Academy.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Robert E. Quinn, Margaret Elliott Tracy Collegiate Professor Emeritus of Business Administration and professor emeritus of organizational behavior and human resource management.

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