THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested:

Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Pamela A. Raymond, Ph.D., Stephen S. Easter Collegiate Professor of Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology and professor of molecular, cellular and developmental biology, in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, will retire from active faculty status on May 31, 2017.

Pamela Raymond received her B.S. (1971), M.S. (1974), and Ph.D. (1976) degrees from the University of Michigan. Professor Raymond joined the University of Michigan Medical School faculty as an assistant professor in 1981, and was promoted to associate professor in 1988, and professor in 1994. She served as faculty director of the Neuroscience Graduate Program (1989-93) and associate provost for academic and faculty affairs (1997-2002). In 2005, she joined the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts faculty and served as the chair of the Department of Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology from 2008-14. She was named the Stephen S. Easter Collegiate Professor of Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology in 2007.

Professor Raymond's research has enhanced our understanding of the cellular and molecular basis of extrinsic and intrinsic signals that regulate neurogenesis (the formation of neurons) and control neuronal specificity and patterning (the expression of differentiated cellular features) in the visual system. Throughout her career, Professor Raymond has championed the teleost fish retina as a unique animal model in which to discover endogenous mechanisms of neurogenesis, the integration of new neurons and photoreceptors into the differentiated retina, the capacity to regenerate neurons, and the multifaceted roles of retinal glia, which both generate new neurons and guide them to their proper locations in the retina. She has published over 100 scientific articles and co-edited two books. Professor Raymond has served on numerous federal scientific review panels as well as chaired the National Eye Institute Board of Scientific Counselors. She designed and taught numerous innovative courses for medical students, graduate students, and undergraduate students, especially in the fields of developmental biology and neuroscience.

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar by naming Pamela A. Raymond, Stephen S. Easter Collegiate Professor Emerita of Molecular, Cellular and Developmental Biology and professor emerita of molecular, cellular and developmental biology.

Requested by:

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