THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Margaret Murray-Wright, M.S.N., R.N., clinical assistant professor of nursing in the University of Michigan-Flint School of Nursing, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2020.

Professor Murray-Wright received her B.S.N. (1973) degree from the University of Pittsburgh and her M.S.N. (1977) degree from the University of Illinois at Chicago. Licensed as a professional registered nurse in the state of Michigan, she joined the University of Michigan-Flint faculty as a lecturer in 2005 and was promoted to clinical assistant professor in 2007. From 2012-16, she provided exemplary leadership as associate director for all undergraduate bachelor of science in nursing programs.

Professor Murray-Wright's contributions include the development, implementation, and evaluation of curricula that led to a successful onsite accreditation review of all B.S.N. programs by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education in 2015. She also played a vital, integral role in the nursing leadership team that ultimately garnered the support of the executive officers of the university in creating a School of Nursing as the fifth academic unit on the UM-Flint campus in 2016. Prior to her arrival at UM-Flint, Professor Murray-Wright served as the vice president for patient care services at Memorial Healthcare in Owosso, Michigan. The recipient of numerous teaching awards, Professor Murray-Wright is a scholar in genetics, genomics, and pathophysiology. She actively engaged students in service to medically underserved domestic communities, including service to the city of Flint through cardiomyopathy screening programs for adolescents and assisting the local community during and after the Flint water emergency. In addition, she mentored students during international service-learning trips to Cambodia in 2009 and 2017, and to Bolivia in 2014. She was highly respected for her student-centered approach to teaching and was an unwavering supporter and advocate for diversity, equity, and inclusion in the admissions, recruitment, and retention processes.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Margaret Murray-Wright, clinical assistant professor emerita of nursing.

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