

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Becky J. Rodda, P.T., D.P.T., clinical professor of physical therapy in the University of Michigan-Flint College of Health Sciences, retired from active faculty status on July 31, 2020.

Professor Rodda received her B.S. (1977) degree in natural sciences from Northern Michigan University, her B.S. in physical therapy (1980) degree from Texas Women's University, her M.H.S. (1993) degree from Washington University in St. Louis, and her D.P.T. (2006) degree from Drexel University. Professor Rodda has been a certified physical therapist with the State of Michigan since 1981. She received certification from the American Physical Therapy Association as a board-certified clinical specialist, a credentialed clinical instructor, and an advanced credentialed clinical instructor since 1995, 1996 and 2009, respectively. Professor Rodda has also been certified in orthopedic manual physical therapy since 1995. She joined the University of Michigan-Flint faculty as a lecturer in 1996, and was promoted to clinical assistant professor in 1999, clinical associate professor in 2008, and clinical professor in 2016.

Professor Rodda's research focused on the clinical application of strength and mobility tests applied within the athletic and neurologic patient populations. Her work with high school athlete mobility tests contributed to validating several clinical mobility tests. Professor Rodda's work with the multiple sclerosis population contributed to defining core muscle strength and predictors of standing balance. Her leadership in teaching, research and service was laudable. At the University of Michigan-Flint, Professor Rodda had instructional responsibility in the entry-level Physical Therapy Program. She served on several unit and university-wide committees, including the Chancellor's Fee Policy Committee, the Student Concerns Committee, the Thompson Center Teaching and Learning Advisory Board, the Library Committee, the Curriculum Development Committee, the Accreditation Task Force, and the Alumni/Development and Scholarship/Awards/Grants Committee.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Becky J. Rodda, clinical professor emerita of physical therapy**.

Requested by:



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