THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Maureen P. Tippen, M.S., R.N., clinical associate professor of nursing in the University of Michigan-Flint School of Nursing, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2020.

Professor Maureen Tippen received her B.S.N. (1978) degree from Northern Michigan University and her M.S. (1986) degree from Pace University. Licensed as a professional registered nurse in the state of Michigan, Professor Tippen was certified by the American Nurses Association in perinatal nursing and as a hospice trainer. She joined the University of Michigan-Flint faculty as an adjunct lecturer in 1994, and was promoted to lecturer in 1995, clinical assistant professor in 1999, and clinical associate professor in 2017.

Professor Tippen’s creative, innovative teaching style and personal and professional attributes created the synergy needed to nurture, encourage, engage, foster, and cultivate learning across a wide range of students with varying abilities. She adeptly motivated self-directed students to succeed in complex and demanding environments while taking the time to awaken and stimulate curiosity in students who were peripherally engaged. Her versatility and uniqueness in teaching were evident in multiple patient care settings where she role modeled critical thinking, multi-tasking, advocacy, and both the art and science of nursing. Professor Tippen demonstrated a high level of service to the university, the School of Nursing, the nursing profession, and especially to the local and international communities. She was renowned for her international service, spanning over 25 years with service-learning trips to Cambodia, India, Kenya, Peru, and the Dominican Republic. She sought, through her service, to instill a lifestyle of global service in her students early in their professional development. She was a highly sought-after speaker at numerous regional, national, and global symposia. In honor of her international service and her clinical practice of pediatrics, she received a number of awards, including the Cambodian Parliament Service Award from the Kingdom of Cambodia in 2016 and the Clinical Service Award from the Antonio Musa Hospital in San Pedro, Dominican Republic in 2010.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Maureen P. Tippen, clinical associate professor emerita of nursing.

Requested by:

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