## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

## **ACTION REQUEST**

## Subject:Report of Faculty RetirementAction Requested:Adoption of Retirement Memoir

**Susan Juster, Ph.D.,** Rhys Isaac Collegiate Professor of History and professor of history in the College of Literature, Science, and the Arts, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2022.

Professor Juster attended Brown University where she earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 1982. She then attended the University of Michigan where she earned her Doctorate in 1990. Professor Juster joined the faculty at the University of Michigan as an assistant professor in 1992 and was promoted through the ranks to professor in 2005.

Professor Juster is a preeminent scholar in the fields of North American and English history, gender, and religion. Her prize-winning first book *Disorderly Women: Sexual Politics and Evangelicalism in Revolutionary New England* (1994) brought a sharp gendered analysis to bear on sectarian religious movements and highlighted the role of evangelical religion in shaping the Revolution. She followed this with *Doomsayers: Anglo-American Prophecy in the Age of Revolution* (2003). *Doomsayers* situated American experience in a deep history of prophesy, especially women's prophesy, on both sides of the Atlantic. *Sacred Violence in Early America* (2016) examined the sanctification of violence that shaped early English American encounters with Native Americans and with religious outsiders. *A Common Grave*, her latest work (forthcoming), centers material culture as a source on the elusive presence of Catholics in English North America.

She served as chair of the Department of Asian Languages and Cultures, associate dean of Social Sciences, and associate chair of the Department of History. She taught undergraduate and graduate courses in Early American history and the History of Religion and was a dedicated mentor to a generation of undergraduate and graduate students. A 2020 recipient of a Guggenheim Fellowship, she has been appointed the M. Keck Director of Research at The Huntington Library.

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar and teacher by naming Susan Juster, Rhys Isaac Collegiate Professor Emerita of History and professor emerita of history.

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