

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

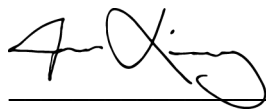
Robert Buckingham, Dr.P.H., professor of public health and health sciences in the College of Health Sciences, University of Michigan-Flint, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2024.

Professor Buckingham received his Doctor of Public Health degree from Yale University School of Medicine in 1978. He was the first director of research at the first hospice in Connecticut in 1974. Professor Buckingham assisted in developing 81 hospice programs throughout the world. He was the founding dean of the School of Public Health at the University of Saskatchewan from 2009-2014. From 2016 through 2022, he was a member of the Board of Directors of Association of Schools of Public Health European Region (ASPHER). He presently serves on the ASPHER-WHO COVID-19 Task Force.

Professor Buckingham began his career at the University of Michigan-Flint in 2014 as professor of public health. He has taught graduate and undergraduate courses in global health, leadership, and hospice and palliative care. For his humanitarian work in the field of hospice care, he was awarded the Ivanovsky Prize in Humanitarian Medicine by the Russian Institute of Virology in 2006. He was awarded the Nelson Mandela Award for Academic Leadership by Harvard University in 2014 for his work as dean at the University of Saskatchewan. He has authored thirteen books and many scientific refereed papers. His most recent book, *Understanding Loss and Grief for Women*, was published by Praeger Publishers in 2017. Professor Buckingham has authored five books on hospice care, including *Care of the Dying Child*, which has been translated into seven languages. He has written five scientific papers on COVID-19, which were published in international refereed scientific journals.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Robert Buckingham, professor emeritus of public health and health sciences**.

Requested by:



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