

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Judith Lynch-Sauer, Ph.D., clinical assistant professor of nursing in the School of Nursing, will retire from active faculty status on June 30, 2012.

Professor Lynch-Sauer received her B.S.N. degree from Hunter College of the City University of New York in 1965, her M.S. (1977) and Ph.D. (1981) degrees from the University of Michigan, and completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the Institute of Gerontology (1987-88). She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an instructor in 1970, was an assistant professor from 1971-94, was a lecturer from 1994-2008, and has been a clinical assistant professor since 2008.

Professor Lynch-Sauer focused her scholarly career on the development of the concept of sense of belongingness and a theory of human relatedness which has been regularly cited in psychiatric nursing textbooks. Professor Lynch-Sauer made considerable contributions to the School of Nursing's teaching and clinical missions at all program levels. She taught graduate and undergraduate psychiatric-mental health nursing courses, lectured in didactic courses, and taught in the clinical domain. She mentored students at all levels, including those in the Honors Program and those completing master's student projects and doctoral dissertations. Professor Lynch-Sauer also mentored junior faculty in the area of medical-surgical nursing and worked to develop a new master's degree curriculum. She served as interim director (2000-01) and then director (2001-08) of the School of Nursing's Office of Student Affairs. Her committee service includes membership on the Committee on Academic, Admissions and Scholastic Standing (CAASS), the School of Nursing Advisory Committee, and the Second Career Task Force.

The Regents now salute this distinguished nursing educator for her dedicated service by naming **Judith Lynch-Sauer clinical assistant professor emerita of nursing**.

Requested by:



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