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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

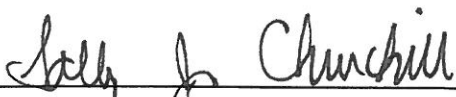
Dean G. Smith, Ph.D., professor of health management and policy in the School of Public Health, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2015.

Professor Smith received his A.B. degree from the University of Michigan in 1981 and his Ph.D. degree from Texas A&M University in 1985. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as a lecturer and research investigator in 1985, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1988, associate professor in 1994, and professor in 2000. Professor Smith held several key administrative positions in the School of Public Health including chair of the Department of Health Management and Policy (2003-05), senior associate dean for administration (2005-12), and director of Executive Education and Lifelong Learning (2012-15).

A leader in the field of healthcare finance and management, Professor Smith deftly combined academic expertise with professional experience to create innovative research programs and dynamic learning experiences. His work sought to critically examine the financial aspects of working with, and working in, health care delivery and financing organizations. More recently, his research has utilized cost-effectiveness analysis to study the outcomes of medical and social interventions. Professor Smith has also served as a director on the boards of managed care organizations and was the founding president and chief executive officer of Good Health Michigan, Inc., a Michigan Medicaid qualified health plan. His extensive record of publications includes numerous journal articles, several book chapters, and the textbook *Introduction to Healthcare Financial Management* (2014). Professor Smith was a valued graduate mentor, a respected leader in his department, and actively involved in the University community. He served on a broad array of committees including as chair of the MHealthy Advisory Committee, chair of the Pharmacy Benefits Oversight Committee, and member of the Medical Benefits Advisory Committee.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher, scholar, and administrator by naming **Dean G. Smith, professor emeritus of health management and policy.**

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