THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested:

Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Louis B. Nagel, M.S., D.M.A., professor of music (piano) in the School of Music, Theatre & Dance, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2016.

Professor Nagel earned his B.S. (1964), M.S. (1966), and Ph.D. (1973) degrees from The Juilliard School. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as a guest lecturer in 1969, and was promoted to instructor in 1970, assistant professor in 1973, associate professor in 1982, and professor in 2002.

Gracing the stages on four continents for more than 50 years, Professor Nagel's remarkable career successfully combined performance, teaching, and outreach activities. He performed in highly acclaimed solo recitals and concerto concerts in major American and European cities. A highly regarded Steinway artist, Professor Nagel combined an active concert and teaching schedule and is noted for his lecture-recitals by musicians and non-musicians alike. In March 2016, he presented a program on the French Suites of Bach at the Music Teachers National Association convention in New York. A superb instructor and dedicated mentor, he also taught at the Interlochen Arts Camp, the International Music Camp in Poland, the Adamant Music School, and the Amalfi Coast Music Festival in Italy. He served as the director of the SMTD Outreach Program, advisor to the Bachelor of Musical Arts Degree Program, and interim chair of the Department of Piano. Professor Nagel received the School's Harold Haugh Award for excellence in studio teaching in 2016.

The Regents now salute this distinguished artist and exemplary teacher by naming Louis B. Nagel, professor emeritus of music (piano).

Requested by:

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