THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested:

Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Charles F. Sing, Ph.D., professor of human genetics in the Medical School, will retire from active faculty status on June 30, 2017.

Professor Sing received his B.S. degree from Iowa State University in 1960, his M.S. degree from Kansas State University in 1963, and his Ph.D. degree from North Carolina State University in 1966. Professor Sing joined the University of Michigan faculty as a research associate in 1966, and was promoted to assistant professor in 1968, associate professor in 1972, and professor in 1976.

Professor Sing is recognized internationally for his contributions to research on the genetic predisposition to common human diseases that have a complex, multifactorial etiology. He published 186 peer-reviewed journal articles, 39 book chapters, and 219 abstracts. Professor Sing co-authored the textbook *Genetics* (1983) and was the co-organizer and co-author of the proceedings of four international symposia devoted to common human diseases. He was among the first to establish a genetic basis for inter-individual variability in blood levels of cholesterol. The quality of his research is documented by continuous, peer-reviewed federal funding for over 50 years. Professor Sing is most proud of the 25 doctoral and post-doctoral trainees he directly mentored, many of whom have gone on to successful careers as academic faculty, departmental chairpersons, and deans at top-ranked medical institutions.

The Regents now salute this distinguished scholar for his dedicated service by naming Charles F. Sing, professor emeritus of human genetics.

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