

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN**

*Regents Communication*

**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**


**Elijah Kannatey-Asibu, Jr., Ph.D.**, professor of mechanical engineering in the College of Engineering, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2020.

Professor Kannatey-Asibu received his B.Sc. degree from the University of Science and Technology in Kumasi, Ghana in 1974, and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of California, Berkeley in 1977 and 1980, respectively. He served on the faculty of the General Motors Institute from 1980-82. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1983, and was promoted to associate professor in 1988, and professor in 1994.

Professor Kannatey-Asibu's expertise focused on the multi-sensor monitoring of manufacturing processes, the laser processing of materials, and the acoustic emission investigation of manufacturing processes. Professor Kannatey-Asibu co-edited a number of books and published over 100 articles in the leading peer-reviewed journals. He is a fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) and the Society of Manufacturing Engineers (SME). He received several awards, including the ASME's Blackall Machine Tool and Gage Award (1986), the American Foundrymen Society's Best Paper Award (1995), the American Welding Society's A.F. Davis Silver Medal Award (1998), the SME's Education Award (2015), the Department of Mechanical Engineering's Excellence in Service Award (1997) and the Excellence in Research Award (1998), the College of Engineering's Outreach and Diversity Award (2009-10), and the University of Michigan's Robert Caddell Memorial Award (2000) and Harold Johnson Diversity Service Award (2010).

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Elijah Kannatey-Asibu, Jr., professor emeritus of mechanical engineering**.

**Requested by:**



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**Sally J. Churchill, J.D.**

**Vice President and Secretary of the University**

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