

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Noel C. Perkins, Ph.D., Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, Donald T. Greenwood Collegiate Professor of Mechanical Engineering, and professor of mechanical engineering in the College of Engineering, will retire from active faculty status on June 30, 2021.

Professor Perkins received his B.S. (1982), M.S. (1984), and Ph.D. (1986) degrees from the University of California, Berkeley. He worked as a post-doctoral researcher at the Institute of Sound and Vibration Research at the University of Southampton, UK from 1986-87. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1987, and was promoted to associate professor in 1993, and professor in 1999.

Professor Perkins' expertise lies in the vibration, nonlinear and computational dynamics, biomechanics, and sensor and instrumentation design. He is a fellow of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), and a member of the Biophysical Society, the International Sports Engineering Association, and the Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society. He received several awards, including the ASME N.O. Myklestad Award in 2011; the ASME Leonardo DaVinci Award in 2015; the GM Outstanding Distance Learning Faculty Award in 2001 and 2007, and the Academic Challenge Award from the Technical University of Munich and ISPO in 2005. At the University of Michigan, he was named the Donald T. Greenwood Collegiate Professor of Mechanical Engineering in 2009 and the Arthur F. Thurnau Professor in 2001. Professor Perkins co-edited a number of books, and published over 112 articles and 91 refereed conference or symposium proceedings.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Noel C. Perkins, Arthur F. Thurnau Professor Emeritus, Donald T. Greenwood Collegiate Professor Emeritus of Mechanical Engineering, and professor emeritus of mechanical engineering.**

Requested by:



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