THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Rodica Busui (Pop-Busui), M.D., Ph.D., Larry D. Soderquist Professor and professor of internal medicine in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on June 25, 2024.

Dr. Busui earned her M.D. degree from the University of Timisoara School of Medicine in 1987. She completed a general medicine internship in 1990 and an internal medicine residency in 1993, both at the University Hospital, Timisoara, Romania. Concurrent to this, Dr. Busui was an assistant professor of internal medicine at the University of Timisoara School of Medicine (1990-1997). She then finished an internal medicine research fellowship at the Royal Hallamshire Hospital (1994) before coming to the University of Michigan to complete a research fellowship (1995-1998) and a clinical fellowship (1998-2001), both in the Department of Internal Medicine, Division of MEND. She then went to the University of Toledo Medical Center and was appointed as an assistant professor of medicine and physiology (2001-2005), a graduate school faculty member (2004-2005), and the director of the Diabetes Education Program (2003-2005). In 2005, Dr. Busui joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor of internal medicine, Division of MEND, and was promoted to associate professor with tenure in 2011, and professor with tenure in 2015. Additionally, Dr. Busui also holds multiple administrative roles, including co-director of the Neuropathy Center; associate chair for clinical research, director of clinical research, mentoring and development in the Caswell Diabetes Institute; and vice chair for clinical & health outcome research.

Dr. Busui is an exceptional physician whose research interests extend from the elucidation of the mechanisms underlying the development of diabetes and prediabetes’ complications to the design and implementation of innovative clinical trials that translate observations from the bench and epidemiological studies to testing novel therapies for preventing and curing diabetes and the chronic diabetes complications in people with type 1 and type 2 diabetes. This has resulted in pragmatic, patient oriented clinical care and a better life for all people with diabetes. Her impressive work has led to over 290 peer-reviewed papers, 25 book chapters, one book, and 170 abstracts. Her stellar career has earned her numerous honors, including recently being named president, medicine and science of the The American Diabetes Association and the 2023 U-M Department of Internal Medicine Chair’s Award for Impact.

The Regents now solute this distinguished faculty member by naming Rodica Busui, professor emerita of internal medicine.

Requested by:

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Jon Kinsey
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