THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: **Report of Faculty Retirement**

Action Requested: **Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

Mark S. Ackerman, Ph.D., George Herbert Mead Collegiate Professor of Human-Computer Interaction, professor of information, School of Information, professor of electrical engineering and computer science, College of Engineering, and professor of learning health sciences, Medical School, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2025.

Professor Ackerman received his B.A. from the University of Chicago in 1979. He completed his M.S. degree in 1981 from The Ohio State University and his Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1994. He joined the University of Michigan School of Information faculty as an associate professor in 2001 and was promoted to professor in 2009. He is also a professor in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science in the College of Engineering and a professor in the Department of Learning Health Sciences in the Medical School.

Professor Ackerman's major research areas are human-computer interaction (HCI) and computer-supported cooperative work (CSCW). His research addresses a variety of issues concerning social media, collaborative information access, pervasive environments, organizational memory, privacy, the design of technical systems, and the sociology of information. He has published widely in HCI and CSCW, investigating collaborative information creation and access in online knowledge communities, medical settings, and expertise sharing. His current research examines how expertise may be shared in medical settings. Professor Ackerman's research group has examined how different information configurations help people with chronic conditions, their caregivers, and their clinicians. He has also examined the sociotechnical engineering of those configurations creating benefits to patients, communities, medical institutions, and systems as well as to the companies who produce electronic health records. Professor Ackerman has been widely recognized by his peers and profession. He was named a fellow of the Association of Computing Machinery (ACM) in 2013 and elected a Computer-Human Interaction (CHI) Fellow in 2009.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Mark S. Ackerman, professor emeritus of information and professor emeritus of electrical engineering and computer science.**

Requested by:

Jon Kinsey
Vice President and Secretary of the University   **June 2025**