

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

*Regents Communication*

**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**


**Zora Djuric Longworth, Ph.D.**, research professor, family medicine in the Medical School and research professor, nutritional sciences in the School of Public Health, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2025.

Dr. Djuric Longworth received her undergraduate B.S. degree (biochemistry) from Texas A&M University in 1978. She received her M.S. (1980) and Ph.D. degrees in toxicology (1983) from the University of Michigan School of Public Health. She completed a postdoctoral fellowship at the National Center for Toxicological Research in 1986 and began her academic career as an assistant professor at Wayne State University in September of 1986 and she was promoted to associate professor in 2000. She joined the Department of Family Medicine at the University of Michigan Medical School in September of 2005 at the rank of research professor, and she became a member of the Rogel Cancer Center at that time. In 2005, she was jointly appointed in the Department of Environmental Health Sciences (now Department of Nutritional Sciences), School of Public Health at the University of Michigan.

Dr. Djuric Longworth's research has identified dietary factors that affect cancer risk biomarkers in experimental models and humans, and she developed novel methods to achieve adherence to cancer preventive eating patterns in individuals at high risk for cancer. Her work was funded by at least ten NIH grants as a principal investigator, three American Institute of Cancer Research grants as a principal investigator, a Fulbright Global Scholar grant, and many other grants as a co-investigator. Dr. Djuric Longworth has over 150 scientific publications. She mentored numerous trainees at all levels from undergraduate and graduate students to medical fellows and postdoctoral fellows. Dr. Djuric Longworth's impact on the field of cancer prevention also has been through her grant review activities for the NIH and her programmatic activities in professional societies.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Zora Djuric Longworth, research professor emerita, family medicine and research professor emerita, nutritional sciences.**

**Requested by:**



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

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