

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

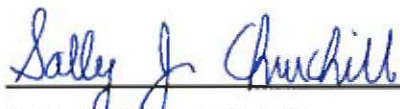
Laurence H. Baker, D.O., Collegiate Professor of Cancer Developmental Therapeutics, professor of internal medicine, and professor of pharmacology in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2019.

Dr. Baker received his B.A. degree from the City University of New York, Brooklyn College in 1962 and his D.O. degree from Des Moines University, College of Osteopathic Medicine and Surgery in 1966. He completed his internship at the Flint Osteopathic Hospital in Flint, Michigan from 1966-67 and his medical residency at the Detroit Osteopathic Hospital in Detroit, Michigan from 1967-68. Dr. Baker then served as a major in the U.S. Army and was honorably discharged in 1970. He completed his oncology fellowship at Wayne State University from 1970-72. He served on the faculty of Wayne State University from 1972-94. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as a professor in 1994 and was named the Collegiate Professor of Cancer Developmental Therapeutics in 2012.

Dr. Baker held numerous leadership roles in the Department of Internal Medicine during his tenure. He served as the deputy director and director of clinical research for the University of Michigan Comprehensive Cancer Center, now the Rogel Cancer Center, from 1994-2005. He also served as co-director of the Connective Tissue Oncology Program in the Comprehensive Cancer Center from 1995-2004 in addition to serving as the associate chief for the Division of Hematology/Oncology from 1994-2005. Dr. Baker served as the chairman for the Southwest Oncology Group from 2005-13 and as an elected member of the Board of Directors for Cancer Research and Biostatistics from 2010-2013. Dr. Baker also ran a laboratory studying early and late translational research in soft tissue and bony sarcomas. He maintained funding for his research projects since joining the University of Michigan and received numerous national awards, including the American Society of Clinical Oncology's Statesman Award (2010), the American College of Osteopathic Internists' Researcher of the Year (2011), and the American Cancer Society's Distinguished Achievement in Cancer Award (2012).

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Laurence H. Baker, Collegiate Professor Emeritus of Cancer Developmental Therapeutics, professor emeritus of internal medicine, and professor emeritus of pharmacology.**

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