THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Kenneth E. Schilling, Ph.D., professor of mathematics in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Michigan-Flint, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2022.

Professor Schilling received his B.S. (1975) degree from the University of California, Davis and his M.S. (1977) and Ph.D. (1981) degrees from the University of California, Berkeley. He joined the University of Michigan-Flint faculty as an assistant professor in 1984, and was promoted to associate professor in 1988, and professor in 1998.

Professor Schilling’s professional area of expertise is in set theory, logic, and the foundations of mathematics, but he expanded his skillset to facilitate program development, becoming a long-time leader and mentor for the actuarial mathematics program he helped develop at UM-Flint. A dedicated instructor of mathematics beloved by students, Professor Schilling received the 2014 Award for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics by the Michigan Section of the Mathematical Association of America, and has taught, with great success, nearly every mathematics course offered at UM-Flint. Professor Schilling has been an invaluable member of his department, serving as department chair from 1992 to 1995 and 2015 to 2018. He also served as director of the university’s community outreach event Mathematics Field Day for over a decade. His commitment to broader service across the college and university is exemplary, as demonstrated by his participation on committees, councils, and boards; leadership as chair of UM-Flint Faculty Council and of multiple accreditation committees; and as a constant mentor for generations of junior faculty following behind him.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher and scholar by naming Kenneth E. Schilling, professor emeritus of mathematics.

Requested by:

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