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**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

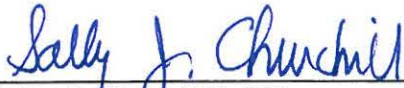
**Barbara A. DeWolfe, M.S.**, curator in the William L. Clements Library, retired from active faculty status on July 5, 2013.

Ms. DeWolfe received her B.A. degree from Stetson University in 1969 and her M.S. degree from Simmons College in 1996. She served on the staff of Harvard University as a research assistant (1975-86) and research associate (1986-99). She joined the University of Michigan's William L. Clements Library as a curator of manuscripts in 1999.

Ms. DeWolfe transformed the Manuscripts Division by reorganizing the unit and significantly reducing the backlog of unprocessed collections. Additionally, she successfully sought grants, wrote for Clements Library publications, and prepared thought-provoking exhibits. Ms. DeWolfe has edited, authored, or co-authored a number of books and articles including *Discoveries of America: Personal Accounts of British Emigrants to America During the Revolutionary Era* (1997). During her time as a research associate at Harvard University she conducted research for Professor Bernard Bailyn's *The Peopling of British North America* (1986), a project on the population history of early America. Ms. DeWolfe also assisted Professor Bailyn with *Voyagers to the West: A Passage in the Peopling of America on the Eve of the Revolution* (1986), winner of the 1987 Pulitzer Prize in History. She has written numerous articles for professional publications and for the Clements Library magazine, *The Quarto*.

The Regents now salute this distinguished archivist and researcher by naming **Barbara A. DeWolfe curator emerita**.

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