THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

Adopted by the Regents September 19, 2013

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Belinda Davis Lazarus, Ph.D., professor of education in the School of Education, University of Michigan-Dearborn, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2013.

Professor Lazarus received her B.S. degree from The Ohio State University in 1973, her M.A. degree from Bowling Green State University in 1983, and her Ph.D. degree from The Ohio State University in 1986. She joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty as an assistant professor in 1991, and was promoted to associate professor in 1994, and professor in 2007.

Professor Lazarus's scholarly work focused on special education with particular emphasis on the areas of effective instructional practices, technology for persons with disabilities, virtual K-12 schools, and attitudes towards reading expressed by students with learning disabilities. She authored numerous publications in leading refereed journals. As coordinator of the special education program she developed innovative undergraduate and graduate curricula. In addition to her teaching and research activities, Professor Lazarus generously shared her time and expertise on numerous campus committees and initiatives. She was a frequent invited lecturer and actively involved in regional and national special education professional organizations. Professor Lazarus received the City of Detroit's Outstanding Service Award in 1998 and the Foundation for Creative Dispute Resolution Award in 2006.

The Regents now salute this distinguished educator for her dedicated service by naming Belinda Davis Lazarus professor emerita of education.

Requested by:

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