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ACTION REQUEST

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

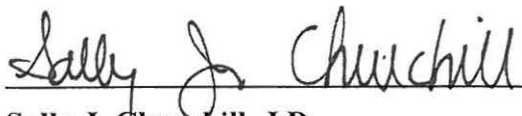
**Sven-Erik Widmalm, D.D.S., Dr. Odont., Specialist of Stomatognathic Physiology**, associate professor of dentistry in the School of Dentistry and adjunct research scientist, electrical engineering & computer science in the College of Engineering, retired from active faculty status on August 31, 2014.

Professor Widmalm received his D.D.S. degree from the Karolinska Institute in 1950 and his Dr. of Odontology degree from the University of Göteborg in 1976. He was certified a Specialist of Stomatognathic Physiology by the Swedish National Board of Health and Welfare in 1994. Professor Widmalm joined the University of Michigan faculty as an associate professor in 1983 and received an additional appointment of adjunct research scientist in 1999. He also served as a visiting professor in China, Korea, and Singapore.

Professor Widmalm's research focused on pain management in dental patient treatment, neurophysiology of the trigeminal system, functional jaw muscle anatomy, and dental clinical use of electromyography. He is a leading authority on the diagnosis and treatment of temporomandibular joint dysfunction. Professor Widmalm published 69 articles in the leading scientific journals and presented his findings at 82 national and international symposia. He served on the editorial boards of the journals *Cranio* and *ISRN Dentistry*. Professor Widmalm taught popular lectures on a range of topics including joint sounds, function and dysfunction; electronic devices in oral function and dysfunction; and pain history and examination. He was a member of the Association of University TMD and Orofacial Pain Programs, the International Association for Dental Research, and the Swedish Academy of Temporomandibular Disorders.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Sven-Erik Widmalm associate professor emeritus of dentistry**.

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