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## *Regents Communication*

### ACTION REQUEST

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

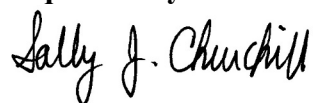
**Suresh Ramnath, M.B.B.S.**, clinical assistant professor of neurosurgery in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on September 30, 2020.

Dr. Ramnath received his M.B.B.S. (1963) degree from Maharaja Sayajirao University in India. He completed a rotating internship (1963-64) at the Regina General Hospital in Regina, Canada and a neurosurgery residency (1964-65) at the University of Manitoba in Winnipeg, Canada. He completed a general surgery residency (1965-66), a neurosurgery residency (1966-1970), and a neurosurgery fellowship (1970) at Vanderbilt University. He served as a clinical instructor in neurosurgery at the University of North Dakota's School of Medicine (1971-74) and as a clinical assistant professor of neurosurgery at the Medical College of Ohio (1975-1997). Concurrently, he was appointed adjunct clinical instructor in neurosurgery at the University of Michigan from 1994-97. He joined the University of Michigan faculty full-time as a clinical instructor in 1997, and was promoted to clinical assistant professor in 2014.

As chief of neurosurgery, Dr. Ramnath played an instrumental role in establishing the VA Ann Arbor Healthcare System as a hospital of excellence in neurosurgery within the VA system from 1997-2010. He was a founding member of Project Shunt, the U-M Department of Neurosurgery's outreach program to Guatemala, and attended medical missions from 1998-2013. He was an exemplary teacher of medical students and neurosurgery residents. He was the director of the Neurosurgery Anatomy Lab and taught a yearly skull-base course for residents. An avid student of anatomy, he provided lectures on anatomy on a regular basis to neurosurgery residents, advance practice providers, and medical students. He also helped organize and run a lecture series for advanced practice providers and provided lectures to medical students during their neurology rotation from 2002-20. Nationally, he was actively involved in the Society of Neurological Surgeons' Fundamental Skills Course Boot Camp from 2011-2013.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Suresh Ramnath, clinical assistant professor emeritus of neurosurgery**.

**Requested by:**



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