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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

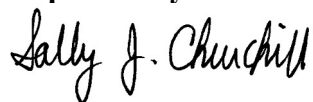
Matthew F. Wyneken, Ph.D., associate professor of education in the School of Education and Human Services, University of Michigan-Flint, retired from active faculty status on May 31, 2023.

Professor Wyneken received his A.B. degree (1978) from Wabash College and his A.M. degree (1981) and Ph.D. (1985) degrees from the University of Michigan. He joined the University of Michigan-Flint faculty as an adjunct lecturer in 1985, served as a visiting professor from 1985-1986, then moved to the tenure track as assistant professor in fall 1986. He was promoted to associate professor of mathematics in 1990, served in this role until 2004, and then returned to the university as associate professor of education in 2007.

Professor Wyneken is a respected associate professor of education whose commitment to university students and the students they will eventually teach had, and will continue to have, an impact on students' learning for decades to come. Professor Wyneken has promoted the teaching and learning of mathematics at UM-Flint, in Genesee County, and around the state. In collaboration with colleagues, he developed a unique and exemplary mathematics education program for the future teachers at UM-Flint. His work also influenced the design of the early childhood studies major to include a course on emergent mathematical thinking. As a member of the mathematics department from 1986-2004, Professor Wyneken published several papers on orthogonal polynomials, and was known as a model teacher at all levels of the mathematics curriculum. He is a co-author of the book *A Focus on Ratios and Proportion: Bringing research to the classroom* (2020). He has received many accolades, including multiple merit awards for teaching and service. Professor Wyneken is loved by students and colleagues and will leave a lasting legacy on the UM-Flint campus.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher by naming **Matthew F. Wyneken, associate professor emeritus of education**.

Requested by:



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