THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Death
Action Requested: Adoption of Memorial Statement

The Regents of the University of Michigan acknowledge with profound sadness the death of H. Scott Fogler, Ph.D., Vennema Professor of Chemical Engineering, Arthur F. Thurnau Professor, and professor of chemical engineering in the College of Engineering. Professor Fogler died on August 21, 2021.

Professor Fogler received his B.S. degree from the University of Illinois in 1962 and his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Colorado in 1963 and 1965, respectively. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant professor in 1965, and was promoted to associate professor in 1971, and professor in 1975. Professor Fogler received a Doctor Honoris Causa from the Universitat Rovira i Virgili, Spain in April 2016.

Professor Fogler was the author of 12 books, including the Elements of Chemical Reaction Engineering (6th edition, 2020) and Essentials of Chemical Reaction Engineering (2nd edition, 2018) which are estimated to be used by 70-80% of all chemical engineering programs in the United States and is dominant also in the world-wide market. Professor Fogler published over 240 research articles with his students – more than 49 master’s students and 45 doctoral students – in areas such as acidization of petroleum wells, upstream engineering gelation kinetics, wax deposition in subsea pipelines, and asphaltene flocculation and deposition kinetics. Professor Fogler received a number of distinguished awards at college, university, and national levels, including the American Society for Engineering Education’s CACHE Award for Excellence in Computing in Chemical Engineering Education (2019) and the Michigan Distinguished Professor of the Year from the Michigan Association of State Universities (2020). Professor Fogler has been the recipient of 13 named lectureships and recently finished a two-year assignment on President Obama’s commission to study and make a recommendation on the flow of diluted bitumen in the Keystone Pipeline. In 2017, colleagues, friends, and former students established an endowment through AIChE to honor his legacy and commitment to the education of students and the practice of chemical engineering. Professor Fogler loved to travel and to cook, having earned a certificate from the New Orleans School of Cooking in 1985.

As we mourn the loss of our beloved colleague, we extend our heartfelt condolences to his wife, Jan; his three children, Peter, Robert, and Kristin; his four grandchildren; his sister, Karen Ann Ilyin, and his many loving relatives and friends.

Requested by:

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Adopted by the Regents
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