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**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

**Lynn F. Marko, A.M.L.S.**, librarian in the University Library, retired from active faculty status on August 31, 2009.

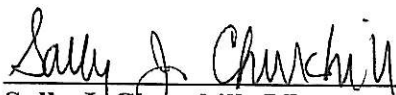
Ms. Marko received her A.B. and A.M.L.S. degrees from the University of Michigan in 1969 and 1970, respectively. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant librarian in 1971, and was promoted to associate librarian in 1973 and librarian in 1974.

Ms. Marko's most notable contributions to the library came from her service as head of the Monograph Cataloging and Bibliographic Searching Division. Under her direction, cataloging productivity increased, processes were adapted to new workflows and technologies, and major retrospective conversion projects were undertaken and typically completed ahead of schedule. Ms. Marko led her staff by example and rallied them around new challenges. Leaders in the library commended Ms. Marko on her ability to not just improve productivity but to help staff adapt to rapidly changing circumstances while maintaining a high level of morale during a period of tumultuous change. She was a true force in making great and innovative things happen.

Ms. Marko has been a pioneer and committed collaborator in shaping the University Library and its adaptation to a Web-enabled world. From developing library productivity metrics to cataloging electronic resources to developing new methods for describing content, Ms. Marko played a leading role. She contributed to several high-profile national efforts, including NEH-funded research led by Marianne Gaunt and cataloging of Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research data sets. Recognizing the need for Web-aware metadata standards, Ms. Marko was instrumental in the development of Dublin Core from its inception.

The Regents now salute this distinguished librarian by naming **Lynn F. Marko librarian emerita**.

**Requested by:**



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