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**ACTION REQUEST**

**Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement**

**Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir**

**Caroline B. Constant, M.Arch.**, Emil Lorch Collegiate Professor of Architecture and Urban Planning, and professor of architecture in the A. Alfred Taubman College of Architecture and Urban Planning, will retire from active faculty status on December 31, 2013.

Professor Constant received her M.Arch. degree from Princeton University in 1976. She served on the faculty of the University of Maryland (1979-82), Harvard University (1983-92), and the University of Florida (1996-2001). She joined the University of Michigan faculty as a professor of architecture in 2001 and was named Emil Lorch Collegiate Professor of Architecture and Urban Planning in 2011.

Professor Constant's scholarly work is centered at the intersection of architecture, landscape architecture, and the decorative arts. Her work challenged the traditional boundaries between architecture and landscape and between theory and practice. Professor Constant's record of creative achievement spans scholarly publications, book chapters, and four books entitled *The Palladio Guide* (1985), *The Woodland Cemetery: Toward a Spiritual Landscape* (1994), *Eileen Gray: An Architecture for All Senses* (1996), and *The Modern Architectural Landscape* (2012). Her book on the early modernist architect Eileen Gray is credited with uncovering Gray's previously overlooked role on several notable modernist commissions. A gifted teacher and dedicated mentor, Professor Constant was actively engaged in the intellectual life of the College and University. She has been a fellow of the American Academy in Rome (1979), a Fulbright Scholar (1989-91), and a Helmut F. Stern Faculty Fellow (2008-09). Professor Constant received numerous awards including the New York Architectural League's Young Architects Award (1985), the American Institute of Architects International Book Award (1995), and the University of Michigan's Donna M. Salzer Award for Teaching Excellence (2012).

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Caroline B. Constant professor emerita of architecture**.

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