

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

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Regents
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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Wendy E. Kerschbaum, M.A., M.P.H., associate professor of dental hygiene and director of the Dental Hygiene Program, School of Dentistry, will retire from active faculty status on December 31, 2013.

Professor Kerschbaum received her B.S., M.A., and M.P.H. degrees from the University of Michigan in 1970, 1972, and 1982, respectively. She joined the University of Michigan School of Dentistry faculty as a clinical instructor in 1970, and was promoted to instructor in 1972, and assistant professor in 1973. After a brief leave, she returned to the University as an assistant professor in 1977, and was promoted to associate professor in 1983. Professor Kerschbaum was appointed director of the Dental Hygiene Program in 1988.

A leading authority on dental hygiene education and health behavior research, Professor Kerschbaum was instrumental in the development of the University's nationally recognized Dental Hygiene Program. She spearheaded the transition to the baccalaureate degree program, strengthened both the B.S. and M.S. degree programs, and implemented innovative online e-learning opportunities. Professor Kerschbaum was a frequent invited lecturer and authored 35 publications. She served on numerous committees and was actively involved in the American Dental Education Association and the American Dental Hygienists' Association (ADHA). Professor Kerschbaum received the ADHA Educator of the Year Award in 2012. In honor of her many achievements the Student Chapter of the American Dental Hygienists' Association (SADHA) established the annual Wendy Kerschbaum SADHA Emerging Leader Award.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming **Wendy E. Kerschbaum** **associate professor emerita of dental hygiene**.

Requested by:



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