THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested:

Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Susan G. Blitz, M.D., M.P.H., clinical assistant professor of internal medicine in the Medical School, will retire from active faculty status on December 31, 2015.

Dr. Blitz received her B.S. (1973) degree from Wayne State University and her M.D. (1978) and M.P.H. (1991) degrees from the University of Michigan. She completed her internal medicine internship (1978-79) and her internal medicine residency (1979-81) at the Michael Reese Hospital in Chicago, Illinois. Dr. Blitz served as a senior staff physician at the Henry Ford Hospital in Detroit, Michigan from 1981-83. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an instructor in 1983, and was promoted to clinical instructor in 1992, and clinical assistant professor in 1997.

An exemplary clinician, teacher, and leader, Dr. Blitz directed a team dedicated to the prevention, treatment and rehabilitation of occupational illnesses and injuries for the University's 40,000 employees. Dr. Blitz held numerous key leadership positions including medical director of the Employee Health Service, UMHS (1989-2015); medical director of the Employee Health Service, VA Medical Center-Ann Arbor (1991-96); interim medical director of the Occupational Health Program, UMHS (1996-98); and medical director of the Taubman General Medicine Primary Care Clinics, UMHS (2007-15). She was also actively involved in the promotion of positive health behaviors as a physician advisor for the University's employee wellness programs. Dr. Blitz played an instrumental role in the training of medical students and residents rotating through the internal medicine and general medicine training programs. She received the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners' State Award for Excellence in 2004.

The Regents now salute this distinguished faculty member by naming Susan G. Blitz, clinical assistant professor emerita of internal medicine.

Requested by:

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