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ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement

Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

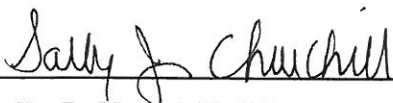
Susan J. Wortman, M.I.L.S., senior associate librarian in the University Library, retired from active faculty status on June 30, 2016.

Ms. Wortman received her B.A. (1976) degree from Hillsdale College and her M.I.L.S. (1990) from the University of Michigan. She joined the University of Michigan faculty as an assistant librarian in 2006, and was promoted to associate librarian in 2011, and senior associate librarian in 2015. She held a number of positions including information resources assistant, information resources reference specialist, interim women's studies librarian, undergraduate reference and instruction librarian, and social work librarian.

Ms. Wortman provided outstanding instruction, consultation and collaborative services to students, faculty and staff. Her instructional activities included teaching countless social work faculty and students models for community profiling, grant-seeking, comprehensive literature reviewing, and citation analysis. Ms. Wortman worked extensively with the Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program and other undergraduate students to help guide them in conducting research throughout the social sciences. Her publications and presentations span a wide range of issues, including conducting systematic reviews, altmetrics, liaison roles in academic libraries, scholarly communication, and curriculum development. Ms. Wortman served on the School of Social Work's Curriculum Council from 2009-16, where she was able to implement a variety of new curriculum-integrated library classes and workshops for graduate students. In 2014, she created and implemented a series of course-integrated learning objects that taught students how to use key government information resources to review literature and profile communities. Ms. Wortman also built outstanding paper and digital social sciences collections, managed and co-managed well over a million dollars in purchases, conducted hundreds of in-depth research consultations, and created dozens of course-integrated research guides that routinely receive thousands of views each month. Her library system-wide contributions included chairing the Diversity Council (2006-07) and the Instruction Assessment Task Force (2013-14).

The Regents now salute this distinguished librarian for her dedicated service by naming **Susan J. Wortman, senior associate librarian emerita**.

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