

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Report of Faculty Retirement
Action Requested: Adoption of Retirement Memoir

Peter A. Ward, M.D., Godfrey D. Stobbe Professor of Pathology and professor of pathology in the Medical School, retired from active faculty status on January 1, 2020.

Dr. Ward received his B.S. and M.D. degrees from the University of Michigan in 1958 and 1960, respectively. He completed an internal medicine internship at Bellevue Hospital in New York City, New York on the New York University service from 1960-61. He returned to the University of Michigan to complete an anatomic pathology residency from 1961-63. Thereafter, Dr. Ward completed a two-year immunopathology postdoctoral fellowship at Scripps Clinic and Research Foundation in La Jolla, California, where he was involved in defining the role of complement in inflammatory responses. From 1965-71, he was chief of the Immunobiology Branch at the Armed Forces Institute of Pathology at the Walter Reed Army Hospital. From 1965-67, he was a Captain in the U.S. Army Medical Corps. He served as a professor of pathology (1971-80) and chair of the Department of Pathology (1973-80) at the University of Connecticut Health Center. He joined the University of Michigan faculty as professor and chair in 1980.

As chair of the Medical School's Department of Pathology for 25 years, Dr. Ward played an instrumental leadership role in the growth of the faculty to 100, expansion of the research enterprise, as well as substantial increases in research grant support from the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Ward served as president of a number of societies that supported pathology departments' research activities, including the American Society for Investigative Pathology, the Society for Leukocyte Biology, and the Universities Associated for Research and Education in Pathology. In the early 1990s, he became a member of the National Academy of Medicine. He published over 700 peer-reviewed papers and over 220 book chapters. He trained nearly 65 fellows in the past 40 years, many of whom have gone on to prestigious academic appointments in the U.S. and Europe.

The Regents now salute this distinguished academic faculty member and medical educator by naming **Peter A. Ward, Godfrey D. Stobbe Professor Emeritus of Pathology and professor emeritus of pathology**.

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