THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Regents Communication

ACTION REQUEST

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

Pankaj K. Mallick, Ph.D., professor of mechanical engineering in the College of Engineering and Computer Science, University of Michigan-Dearborn, retired from active faculty status on December 31, 2023.

Professor Mallick received his B.E. degree in mechanical engineering in 1966 from Calcutta University in India. He earned his M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in mechanical engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology in 1970 and 1973, respectively. He joined the University of Michigan-Dearborn faculty as an assistant professor of mechanical engineering in 1979, and was promoted to associate professor in 1984, and professor in 1991.

Professor Mallick specialized in automotive engineering and materials and material processing. Prior to joining the university, he was a senior research scientist at Ford Motor Company. He has had a successful career in research and education, which included supervision of multiple graduate students and researchers and publication of five books and over eighty high-impact papers in research journals. He has developed 24 new courses, many of which are still regularly offered.

Professor Mallick served as the director of interdisciplinary programs from 1997-2017 and director of the Center for Lightweighting Automotive Materials and Processing since 1998. He was named the William E. Stirton Professor from 2007-2012 and earned the Eugene Arden Interdisciplinary Teaching/Research Award in 2014 as well as the Michigan Association of Governing Boards of State Universities Award for Distinguished Faculty in 1998. Professor Mallick’s achievements were recognized by the engineering community leading to his election as a Life Fellow with the American Society of Mechanical Engineers and a fellow of the American Society for Composites.

The Regents now salute this distinguished teacher and scholar by naming Pankaj K. Mallick, professor emeritus of mechanical engineering.

Requested by:

Sally J. Churchill
Vice President and Secretary of the University

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