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Request for Authorization to Confer the Title of Professor Emeritus of Pharmacy on Michael Rivey

THAT

Upon the occasion of the retirement of Michael Rivey from the faculty of the University of Montana, the faculty wishes to express their appreciation for his 33 years of dedicated and valued service to the University and the State of Montana by recommending that the rank of Professor Emeritus be conferred upon him by the Board of Regents of the Montana University System.

EXPLANATION

Professor Rivey earned his Master of Science in Pharmacy at the University of Iowa in 1982 and, after completing a clinical pharmacy residency with the VA, joined the faculty in the University of Montana School of Pharmacy in the Fall of 1984 as an Assistant Professor in Pharmacy Practice and the Clinical Coordinator at Community Medical Center. Professor Rivey was promoted to Associate Professor in 1991, tenured in 1992, and promoted to Full Professor in 1998. He assumed the role of Chair of the Department of Pharmacy Practice in 2003, a position he maintained until retirement. He earned eight merit awards over the course of his distinguished career in pharmacy education.

Professor Rivey was highly respected for his contributions to teaching. Professor Rivey was the course coordinator for the highly demanding Therapeutics course in the professional pharmacy program and was responsible for precepting the students in the Internal Medicine rotation at Community Medical Center throughout his time at UM. Professor Rivey was also instrumental in transitioning the terminal pharmacy degree from the baccalaureate to doctoral level in the late 1990s. During his last years at UM, he completed a sabbatical collaborating with colleagues at Queen's University in Northern Ireland where he developed new teaching practices for the experiential education component of the fourth year pharmacy students.

Professor Rivey has made valuable contributions to scholarship on the practice of pharmacy. He has authored or co-authored over 60 publications in national medical and pharmacy journals and was very successful in obtaining grant funding for his research on pharmacotherapies for Multiple Sclerosis, pain management, asthma, and drug-resistant bacteria.

Professor Rivey's service efforts have been far reaching. He served as president of the Montana Society of Health-Systems Pharmacists in 1991. In 2001, Professor Rivey developed the first pharmacy residency program in Missoula through a partnership between the University and Community Medical Center. He subsequently developed a second site in partnership with St. Patrick Hospital in 2007. Our School of Pharmacy continues to maintain incredibly strong ties to both residency programs, and Professor Rivey has maintained his position as the Director of the Pharmacy Residency program at CMC since his retirement from UM. Nationally, he was recognized as a Fellow of the American Society of Health Systems Pharmacists (FASHP) in 2008 and he is a Board Certified Pharmacotherapy Specialist who has received many accolades locally and nationally. We are thankful for his many years of continued service to our healthcare community. Professor Rivey was a true mentor, inspiration and friend to many faculty. He represents the consummate clinical academician balancing teaching, scholarship, and service, yet excelling equally in each endeavor. His

leadership skills and his ability to lead by example garnered him well deserved professional respect from his peers.

The Skaggs School of Pharmacy is pleased to nominate Professor Rivey for emeritus status.

ATTACHMENTS

None