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**Citation for Dr. Timothy H. Ogilvie**

**Read by Dr. John VanLeeuwen, Interim Dean, Atlantic Veterinary College**

I am so pleased to present to you Dr. Timothy Ogilvie—a highly regarded veterinarian, dedicated professor, innovative researcher, skilled administrator and leader. And to me personally, a highly valued former boss, colleague and mentor, as well as a life-long friend.

Dr. Ogilvie graduated from the Ontario Veterinary College, at the University of Guelph, in 1975 with his doctor of veterinary medicine degree and then earned his master of science and board certification in large animal internal medicine.

After working with the PEI government and in private practice, he joined the Atlantic Veterinary College as a founding faculty member in 1985. He served as chair of the Department of Health Management and co-director of the Veterinary Teaching Hospital from 1990 to 1998 and then acting dean of AVC from 1998 to 1999. In 1999, Dr. Ogilvie became the fourth dean of AVC and served in this role until 2008.

Dr. Ogilvie accomplished much during his 30-year tenure at AVC, helping to build the reputation of AVC as a leader in veterinary education, research, and professional service in Canada and around the world. Unfortunately, I don't have time to summarize the accomplishments of his long and illustrious career at AVC. Instead, I'd like to focus on one of the greatest highlights of his tenure at AVC, the creation of our summer camp program, which now bears his name as a legacy to his leadership. It

was his dream to give aspiring veterinarians a window into the day-to-day life of a veterinarian. Starting in 1999, almost 4,500 junior high and high school campers—from Canada, the United States, and all over the world—have come to the Dr. Tim Ogilvie AVC Vet Camp, eager to learn about veterinary medicine.

Through this program, campers explore veterinary medicine with the guidance of AVC faculty, staff, students, and other experts. They participate in sessions that include large and small animal medicine, pathology, microbiology, wildlife and exotics, anatomy, toxicology, and more. In 2008 and 2010, the program received national gold medals for community outreach from the Canadian Council for the Advancement of Education.

The immersive nature of the program often helps participants decide whether veterinary medicine could be a career in their future. The camps have created a recruitment pipeline for veterinary colleges across the globe, as many participants go on to become veterinary medicine students here and other veterinary institutions.

Speaking of other institutions, Dr. Ogilvie felt he had more to contribute to the profession after retiring from AVC, and in 2014, he became dean of St. George's University School of Veterinary Medicine, a position he held until 2018. So, they got to benefit from his leadership there as well, and he took advantage of an opportunity that allowed him to escape the Canadian winters. He now is professor emeritus at the Atlantic Veterinary College and still plays an active role at AVC Vet Camps by participating in the opening ceremonies.

Throughout his career, Dr. Ogilvie was emblematic of the excellent research, teaching, and service happening in our faculty, enhancing the reputation of AVC and the University of Prince Edward Island. He tirelessly demonstrated our commitment

to the health and welfare of animals and humans and the environments we share. And through his visionary leadership, Dr. Ogilvie opened the doors of AVC—and a world of opportunities—for youth enthusiastic about veterinary medicine.

Today, we recognize Dr. Tim Ogilvie's great contributions to the Atlantic Veterinary College, and UPEI by naming him a Founder of the University of Prince Edward Island.