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To: Vancouver Senate

From: Tributes Committee

Re: Memorial Minute – Dr. Bernard E. Riedel

The Tributes Committee has prepared a memorial minute for Dr. Bernard E. Riedel.

Motion: *That Senate approve the Memorial Minute for Dr. Bernard E. Riedel, that it be entered into the Minutes of Senate and that a copy be sent to the family of the deceased.*

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Sally Thorne, Chair
Senate Tributes Committee

Dr. Bernard E. Riedel

Dr. Riedel served with great distinction as the Dean of the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences from 1967 until his retirement in December 1984 and Coordinator, Health Sciences, from 1977 to 1984.

After completing his undergraduate studies in 1943, Dr. Riedel joined the Royal Canadian Air Force during World War II, serving as Navigator Bombardier with the Coastal Command. Upon discharge in 1946, he held the rank of Flying Officer.

He began his academic career soon thereafter as Lecturer and Assistant Professor, Faculty of Pharmacy at the University of Alberta, all the while pursuing his Master's degree. After completing doctoral studies at the University of Western Ontario in 1953, Dr. Riedel returned to the University of Alberta as Assistant Professor and over a period of six years was promoted to Associate Professor, Full Professor and Executive Assistant to the Vice-President.

In addition to leading the Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences at UBC, Dr. Riedel served as a member of the Senate, Chair of the Senior Appointments Committee (1970-74; 1981-83) and as a member of numerous other committees. During his tenure, Faculty programs expanded to include doctoral degrees, Continuing Education and Clinical Pharmacy that served to train students for a patient-oriented practice of pharmacy.

Dr. Riedel also served as Director and President of the Canadian Foundation for the Advancement of Pharmacy; Trustee, UBC Health Sciences Centre Hospital; and Trustee and President, Cancer Control Agency of British Columbia. Following retirement, he served as Executive Member, Board Member, Vice-President and President of the British Columbia Lung Association; Executive Member of the Canadian Lung Association; Trustee and Chairman of the British Columbia Transplant Society; and Member of the Science Advisory Committee of the British Columbia Health Research Foundation.

For his immense contributions, Dr. Riedel was recognized with several awards and distinctions, including the Canadian Forces Decoration (1960); Canadian Centennial Medal (1967); Doctor of Science, *honoris causa,* University of Alberta (1990); and the 75th Anniversary Medal, UBC (1990). In 1996, Dr. Riedel was appointed to the Order of Canada in recognition of his contributions to Canada's pharmaceutical and health sciences.