## **Certificate of Merit Citation for Harold Edwin Froese**

Harold Froese was raised on a poultry and grain farm at Oak Bluff, Manitoba. He completed his high school education at Sanford Collegiate. He came to the University of Manitoba and graduated in 1974 with his Bachelor of Science in Agriculture.

Upon graduation and until 1983, Harold worked as a Credit Advisor with Farm Credit Canada in Dauphin and in Portage la Prairie. In 1983 Harold returned to the family farm producing grain, eggs, broilers and pullets. He continues to be an egg and pullet producer as part of Prairie Egg and Willridge Pullet Farms where he is on the executive for both farms.

Since 1984 he has been a Director of Manitoba Egg Farmers (MEF) serving as Chair for twelve years. Harold was the MEF representative to Egg Farmers of Canada (EFC) for nine years. Today Harold continues to play an important role at MEF, where he currently sits on the Audit Committee. He served as a Director of Manitoba Chicken Producers for four years. His knowledge and expertise is highly valued, and his contribution and leadership skills are respected by egg and chicken producers. Harold has also played an integral role on various committees at the national level. He served on the EFC Executive, was Chair of the Production Management Committee, Producer Trade Representative to the World Trade Organization. He was also the EFC representative to the Canadian Federation of Agriculture (CFA) and served on the CFA Executive. Harold is highly respected, not only in the egg and poultry industries but the in the overall agricultural industry, locally and across the country. He has served with successive Provincial Agriculture Ministers as Trade Advisor, Agri-Food Advisory Council Member and Chair of the Crow Adjustment payment Committee.

Harold has served as an external examiner for the Agriculture Diploma final presentations and has made numerous presentations to students enrolled in Agriculture Diploma courses. He has also been a guest speaker at the Manitoba Farm Writers and the Manitoba Institute of Agrologists.

Harold is happily married to Jocelyn for thirty-seven years. They are parents of four adult children and have one grandchild. Harold and Jocelyn have been active in their local church. Harold is currently Moderator of their Church Conference for Manitoba.

"This Certificate of Merit is presented to Harold Edwin Froese by the Faculty of Agricultural and Food Sciences at the University of Manitoba, in recognition of leadership with agricultural organizations and outstanding service to the community at large."

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