

APPENDIX D

THE MCGILL UNIVERSITY MEDAL FOR EXCEPTIONAL ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

(An Award for Exceptionally Deserving Members of the Retired Academic Staff)

McGill University wishes to exercise its discretion from time to time to publicly acknowledge and reward those retired members of the academic staff who are uniquely deserving of special recognition in light of their exceptional contributions to their discipline, to McGill, and to society at large. Consequently, the University proposes to establish The McGill University Medal for Exceptional Academic Achievement.

Name: The McGill University Medal for Exceptional Academic Achievement (The McGill Medal)

Criteria: To be considered for The McGill Medal a nominee shall:

- (i) have held an appointment as a full professor or full librarian at the University normally for a minimum period of ten (10) years;
- (ii) have retired, or signed an irrevocable agreement to retire, at the time of consideration;
- (iii) be proposed for the award no later than five (5) years following retirement; and
- (iv) be judged to have made exceptional and unique contributions to the University and/or scholarly communities over an extended period of time through excellence in research, teaching, creative or scholarly activity, academic leadership or any combination thereof.

Process: Nominations for the McGill Medal:

- (i) shall originate with the Dean who, following consultation with a nominee's Chair and a Faculty committee, will bring a nominee's name forward;
- (ii) to a Principal's Advisory Committee chaired by the Provost, which may recommend a nominee for the award;
- (iii) to the Honorary Degrees and Convocations Committee for recommendation to the Senate for approval.

When conferred: Normally only at Spring Convocations.

Nature of recognition: Awarded at Convocation with the reading of a citation by the Dean of the Faculty, Director of the Library, or the Provost and the presentation of the McGill Medal by the Principal and the Chancellor or the Chair of the Board of Governors.

Note: The award would commence with the Spring 2010 Convocations following the change in the use of the honorific *emeritus* for retiring full professors