



ECKERD COLLEGE

Presentation of the President

Ian P. Johnson '89

Chair of the Eckerd College Board of Trustees

James J. Annarelli, you have been duly selected to serve as president of Eckerd College, and it is my great pleasure, as chair of the Board of Trustees, to now officially install you in this position with all the rights, privileges, and responsibilities pertaining thereto.

You have been given great privilege and entrusted with tremendous responsibility.

Responsibility to:

- Our students to ensure the quality of their residential liberal arts educational experience
- Our faculty and staff to be a bold and visionary leader who supports their daily work with students
- Our alumni to ensure they are lifelong learners and live lives of meaning

- And finally, responsibility to our city, nation, and world to ensure that through scholarship and service, Eckerd College expands its impact beyond our campus to all of our neighbors near and far.

If you're willing to assume these responsibilities, please raise your hand.

Do you, James J. Annarelli, pledge that as president of Eckerd College you will, to the best of your ability, uphold its mission to provide excellent, innovative undergraduate liberal arts education?

If you do so solemnly pledge, say, "I do."

I now invite the vice chair of the Board of Trustees, Dr. Susan Slaugenhaupt '89, and Dr. Mary Meyer McAleese, this year's faculty marshal, to join me at the podium to assist in presenting the Presidential Medallion, the official chain of office, and the College's mace, the symbol of the College's institutional authority.

By accepting this Presidential Medallion and the College's mace, will you accept the charge to lead with diligence, dedication, vision, integrity, and energy as you carry out the duties of this position?

If you do, say, "I will."

By the power vested in me by the Board of Trustees, I officially declare you, James J. Annarelli, invested as the sixth president of Eckerd College and charge you with the responsibilities pertaining to this office.