Memorial Tribute to

JERZY GANCZARCZYK

Professor Emeritus in the
Department of Civil Engineering

December 11, 2013

Be it resolved that the Council of the Faculty of Applied Science & Engineering record with deep regret the death on November 15, 2013 of Jerzy Ganczarczyk.

Professor Ganczarczyk passed away peacefully at the Toronto General Hospital on Friday, November 15, 2013 at the age of 85. He is predeceased by his beloved wife Elizabeth. He will be missed by his loving daughter Lynn and her husband Paul Hamilton and their two children, Peter and Claire.

Professor Ganczarczyk received his Master of Applied Science and Doctor of Science from the Silesian Technical University in Poland. He was awarded the Habilitation from the Warsaw Technical University in 1962.

Professor Ganczarczyk held several academic positions at the Silesian Technical University and the Research Institute of Water Management in Warsaw. In 1968, he was awarded Poland’s Ministry of Construction Award for the development of a technology for biological treatment of kraft pulp mill effluents. In 1969, he was honoured with the Polish State Award for the design of an industrial wastewater treatment plant, the first one of its type in Europe.

Dr. Ganczarczyk joined the University of Toronto in 1969 as an Associate Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering. He was promoted to Professor in 1975 and retired in 1993. During his tenure in Department, he published a book on activated sludge processes and published many research papers in the wastewater field. His research on the fractal structure of wastewater flocs is highly cited.

Be it further resolved that a record of his service be inscribed in the minutes of this Council, and that a copy be sent to his family as an expression of the respect and gratitude of the members of Council.

Prepared by Professor Brent Sleep, Chair Civil Engineering