



UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO  
FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCE & ENGINEERING

**Memorial Tribute to**

**ABDO ABDELMESSIH**

**Professor Emeritus, Department of  
Mechanical & Industrial Engineering**

**April 12, 2016**

Be it resolved that the Council of the Faculty of Applied Science & Engineering record with deep regret the death on January 3, 2016 of Professor Abdo Abdelmessih.

Professor Abdo Abdelmessih was born in Khartoum, Sudan on May 25, 1932. Abdo graduated with a BSc in Mechanical Engineering from Cairo University and completed post-graduate studies, taking courses at MIT, UC Berkeley and Oklahoma State University, where he earned his MS in Mechanical Engineering. After moving to Toronto with his wife in 1963, Abdo earned his PhD in Mechanical Engineering at the University of Toronto and went on to become a full professor in the Department of Mechanical & Industrial Engineering until his retirement in 1997. Abdo touched the lives and minds of over 4000 engineering students during his 31-year tenure of dedicated excellence in teaching and research in the area of heat transfer. He supervised many undergraduate, post-graduate and doctoral students and post-doctoral fellows, and was the author of over 70 scientific papers and publications. He gave numerous scholarly addresses in Canada, the US and Europe and acted as a referee for many scientific journals. Abdo was loved and respected by colleagues and students alike.

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 Jean Zu*