Memorial Tribute to
J. GLYNN HENRY
Professor Emeritus of Civil Engineering
University of Toronto
October 23, 2017

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Faculty of Applied Science and Engineering record with sincere regret the death on September 13, 2017 of Professor J. Glynn Henry.

Before embarking on a career in academia, Professor Henry was in practice as a consulting engineer in Toronto. He rose to the position of principal, R.V. Anderson Associates where he was responsible for the design, construction and commissioning of numerous water and wastewater treatment plants.

In the late 1960’s Glynn enrolled in the PhD program at U of T’s Department of Civil Engineering, under the supervision of Prof. P.H. Jones. Afterwards, he was hired as Associate Professor in the Department of Civil Engineering.

His research interests were primarily in the area of microbiology of waste treatment and water pollution control. In addition to his technical papers, he was co-author with Prof. G.W. Heinke of the textbook Environmental Science and Engineering, became the textbook-of-choice for up to 75 universities in North America.

As a faculty member, he brought a great deal of practical experience to the classroom. His graduate course in Environmental Engineering Design was well received by students. As a colleague, Glynn was congenial and engaging and his professional manner and dependability were much appreciated.

Prof. Henry was the inaugural Chairman of the interdisciplinary Environmental Engineering Program, promoting it to graduate students in various engineering departments. He retired from the Faculty in 1991.

His career and contributions to the field of environmental engineering were honoured in 1994 when he received the prestigious Albert E. Berry Medal from the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers.

Professor Henry is survived by Pat, his wife of 70 years; his children, Robin, Dr. Wendy, Pam, Beth, Laura; his grandchildren, Alexis, Zachary, Luke, Jake, Cole, Connor, Rebecca, Thomas; and his great-grandchildren Lilly, Elliot, Adrianne and Wesley.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT this tribute to Professor Henry be inscribed in the minutes of this Council meeting and that copies be sent to his family as an expression of the respect and gratitude of the members of this Council.

Prepared with reference to contributions by Professors Emeritus Barry Adams and the Canadian Society of Civil Engineers website.