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Longtime CMCC President Dr. Jean Moss to Retire in 2014

The Canadian Memorial Chiropractic College (CMCC) Board of Governors has announced that Dr. Jean A. Moss will step down from her position as president, effective June 30, 2014. She will continue to lead CMCC for the remainder of the academic year.

"It is a bittersweet milestone. Jean leaves an extraordinary legacy of innovation and success and very large shoes to fill," said Dr. Mark Symchych, chair of the CMCC Board of Governors and CMCC graduate from the Class of 1993.

Dr. Moss attended CMCC and graduated in 1970 as a doctor of chiropractic. She began a private practice and joined the CMCC faculty on a part-time basis in 1971. Since then, she has held a number of increasingly responsible roles at CMCC that culminated in her serving as president since 1990. During her tenure, CMCC has grown and prospered and has achieved national and international recognition for the quality of its programs, the competence of its graduates and the breadth of its innovations and contributions in education and research.

The Board of Governors owes a debt of gratitude to Dr. Moss for her tireless efforts and dedication to the profession. Her vision is the driving force behind innumerable advances over the years including: the building of a landmark campus in 2004, the establishment of the McMorland Family Research Chair in Mechanobiology (the only one established in an independent chiropractic institution), obtaining degree granting status for the Doctor of Chiropractic program, and then renewed consent for an unprecedented 10-year period.

CMCC students and faculty have benefited from her leadership in establishing interprofessional collaborations in diverse clinical environments, most recently the Academic Family Health Team at St. Michael's Hospital. An academic articulation agreement with the University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT) led to the establishment of the UOIT-CMCC Centre for the Study of Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation situated at the CMCC campus.

For these accomplishments and so many more, Dr. Moss has received numerous awards and accolades. She was recently the recipient of the World Federation of Chiropractic Honour Award, a citation reserved for only to those who have contributed a lifetime of distinguished and exceptional service to advance the growth of chiropractic.

In a moment of private reflection on her distinguished career with CMCC, Dr. Moss said, "It has been my privilege to serve this unique institution and the profession. During my time at CMCC, I have seen incredible talent all around me — in the faculty and staff and especially among the graduates, many of whom return to become members of our team or collaborate with us in supporting advancements in health care worldwide. Ultimately, the work we do to educate future chiropractors makes a difference in the quality of the lives of so many people. We can all be proud of the accomplishments of our graduates who continue the incredible legacy begun when CMCC opened its doors in 1945.

"It has been my honour to be a part of it and I am confident that under new leadership, CMCC will

continue to contribute enormously to the profession and to those whose lives are changed by it."

The CMCC Board of Governors has appointed a Presidential Search Committee to direct the recruitment process to find a successor for the position and will undertake the search immediately.

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