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DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO OAT IMPROVEMENT AWARD

Those in attendance at the last meeting of the National Oat Conference voted unanimously "That the Chairman of the National Oat Conference appoint a committee to formulate a plan for conferring Honorary Life Membership in the Oat Conference upon persons who have made significant and outstanding contributions to furthering oats as an agricultural crop." A committee was duly appointed by the Chairman. Their report is given below.

Report of Committee to

"Formulate a Plan to Confer an Award For "Distinguished Service to Oats"

The National Oat Conference shall confer the award of "Distinguished Service to Oat Improvement" upon persons in recognition of their outstanding research contributions and/or meritorious service toward making oats a successful agricultural crop species.

To guide the National Oat Conference in conferring this award, the following definitions and procedures are suggested:

1. The award shall be known as "Distinguished Service to Oat Improvement Award."
2. The recipient(s) of this award shall be nominated by a committee of 3 persons, and elected for the award by a majority vote of the Executive Committee of the National Oat Conference. The members of the nominating committee shall be appointed by the chairman of the National Oat Conference. Their term of office shall be from date of appointment until the end of the following Oat Conference meeting. The committee shall include at least 2 persons who have served on the National Oat Conference Executive Committee.
3. No restriction shall be placed upon who may receive the Award. However, as a general guide, the award should be presented to persons who have devoted a significant portion of their professional career and a significant number of years working with oats through research, extension or other professional activities.

The number of recipients should not be limited, but in general, not more than one to three persons would be recognized at one National Oat Conference meeting.

4. The award shall be conferred at a meeting of the National Oat Conference. Manifestation of the award shall be denoted by the presentation of a suitable plaque or certificate to the recipient. A brief (not to exceed two typewritten pages)

statement about the recipients should be printed in the volume of the Oat Newsletter, which is published immediately following the presentation.

5. The "nomination committees," with experience, may find that additional procedural details should be added.

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The Chairman of the National Oat Conference has requested that the above committee continue as a nominating committee for selecting nominees for the Distinguished Service to Oat Improvement Award. Nominations for this award, to be conferred at the next meeting of the National Oat Conference, should be submitted to Dr. K. J. Frey. The nomination should include a brief statement about the proposed recipient suitable for publishing in the Oat Newsletter.