James T. Doluisio, a native of Hazleton, you and your brother Tom shared your growing up years with your cousin and Wilkes University's own Joe Bellucci. I understand that you were not only a straight A student, but that in your mother's eyes you always did things right-in contrast with others around you. Your family moved to Bethlehem and ultimately developed a restaurant, a drugstore, and finally, Sue's Luncheonette which helped put you and your brother through college. While you never worked in the family drugstore, you did select Pharmacy as a profession and earned a bachelor's and a master's degree in Pharmacy from Temple University. You then completed your Ph.D. in Pharmaceutics from Purdue University before beginning your career as a faculty member at the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and Science from 1961 to 1967. For the next six years you served as a professor and assistant dean at the University of Kentucky's College of Pharmacy. Then you became a Texan and Dean of Pharmacy at the University of Texas in Austin, a position from which you recently retired after 25 years, although you continue your affiliation and your teaching as the Hoechst-Roussel Professor of Pharmacy. During this eventful career, you have risen to the highest responsibilities in the profession of Pharmacy, serving as president of the American Pharmaceutical Association in 1982 and of the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists in 1988. You chaired the Council of Deans of the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy in 1975 and have lectured at more than two-thirds of all the Schools of Pharmacy in America.

You are a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and a member of many additional state, national, and international associations linked to the profession of pharmacy, including the Federation Internationale Pharmaceutique. Your more than ninety papers deal with bioequivalence and drug absorption, biopharmaceutics, pharmacokinetics, physical pharmacy and pharmacy education. In addition to service on corporate boards in the pharmaceutical and pharmacy industries, you have been a consultant to the FDA, the Surgeon General of the U.S. Air Force and to the old Department of HEW as chairman of their Pharmaceutical Reimbursement Advisory Committee.

You have been known as a man of vision, a superb delegator, an administrator who trusts his colleagues and finds ways to help them perform beyond their own expectations, and a man very popular with your students. By your early enthusiasm and generous assistance you provided crucial guidance in the planning efforts of Doctors Nejib, Rozelle, Lennon and Bellucci in developing a School of Pharmacy at Wilkes University. You can in truth be regarded as the grandfather-or the godfather of the Nesbitt School of Pharmacy.

While hardly retired, by leaving the deanship you have created more time to enjoy your family, including your wife of forty years, Phyllis, a native of Nanticoke and herself a health care professional, and your three children, Thomas, James, Jr., and Rebecca. In addition, you have more time for your hobbies: making grandfather clocks, playing golf, and making golf clubs, including a set for your Governor, George W. Bush.

Recipients of many awards in both Texas and the nation for your leadership in the Pharmacy profession, including honorary doctorates from PCPS and Purdue, Wilkes is particularly pleased to honor you for all you have done to help us reach this day when our first Doctors of Pharmacy are graduated. It is a particular pleasure for me, therefore, by virtue of the authority invested in me by the Board of Trustees of Wilkes University and by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, to confer upon you, James T. Doluisio, the degree Doctor of Science, Honoris Causa, with all the rights and privileges appertaining thereto.