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When the Acting Vice-Chancellor concludes the Deputy Chancellor says:

"JOHN HOWARD SIMMONDS, BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME AND
UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE ACTING VICE-CHANCELLOR, I ADMIT
YOU TO THE RANK AND PRIVILEGES OF THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF SCIENCE,
'HONORIS CAUSA' IN THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND."

After Dr. Simmonds resumes his seat the Marshal brings Dr. Kesteven to the lectern and the Acting Vice-Chancellor says:

"MR. DEPUTY CHANCELLOR,

IT HAS PLEASED THE SENATE TO AUTHORIZE THE ADMISSION OF DR. KEITH VALENTINE LEIGHTON KESTEVEN TO THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF VETERINARY SCIENCE 'HONORIS CAUSA'.

KEITH VALENTINE LEIGHTON KESTEVEN OBTAINED THE DIPLOMA OF
THE HAWKESBURY AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE IN 1926. AFTER SUCCESSFULLY
FARMING A MIXED PROPERTY IN NEW SOUTH WALES, WHERE HE DEMONSTRATED
THE POTENTIAL OF IMPROVED PASTURES IN AUSTRALIA, HE ENTERED THE
UNIVERSITY OF SYDNEY AND GRADUATED WITH HONOURS IN VETERINARY
SCIENCE IN 1939. THE SAME YEAR, HE WAS APPOINTED SENIOR LECTURER
AT THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND VETERINARY SCHOOL WHERE HE SERVED
WITH DISTINCTION FOR THREE YEARS.

DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR, KEITH KESTEVEN WAS COMMISSIONED
IN THE AUSTRALIAN ARMY VETERINARY CORPS: HE LATER SERVED IN THE
ARMOURED DIVISION AND INSTRUCTED AT THE AUSTRALIAN ARMY STAFF SCHOOL.

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KEITH KESTEVEN JOINED UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND REHABILITATION
ADMINISTRATION IN 1946 AS AGRICULTURAL ADVISER IN THE KIANGSI
PROVINCE OF CHINA. HE BECAME VETERINARY ADVISER TO THE GOVERNMENT
OF CHINA, AND PLAYED A LEADING ROLE IN THE ESTABLISHMENT OF CONTROL
OF RINDERPEST IN SOUTH-EAST ASIA. IN 1948, HE WAS CALLED TO THE
FOOD AND AGRICULTURE ORGANISATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS IN
WASHINGTON. HE BECAME CHIEF ADVISER IN THE ANIMAL INDUSTRY BRANCH
IN 1950, AND DIRECTOR OF THE ANIMAL PRODUCTION AND HEALTH DIVISION
IN 1959. DURING HIS INTERNATIONAL CAREER OF OVER TWENTY YEARS,
KEITH KESTEVEN HAS MADE OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE GROWTH
OF ANIMAL INDUSTRIES IN THE DEVELOPING COUNTRIES AND HAS CARRIED
A GREAT DEAL OF RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE INSTITUTION OF NATIONAL AND
INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMMES IN THE CONTROL OF THREATENING ANIMAL DISEASES

IN THE LAST TWELVE YEARS, HE HAS MADE VERY VALUABLE CONTRIBUTIONS
TO CONFERENCES ON ANIMAL HEALTH, AND HAS HAD A SIGNIFICANT INFLUENCE
ON THOUGHT ON VETERINARY EDUCATION. HIS WORK IN VETERINARY SCIENCE
HAS RECEIVED RECOGNITION FROM PROFESSIONAL BODIES, INCLUDING HIS
APPOINTMENT AS HONORARY ASSOCIATE OF THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF VETERINARY
SURGEONS - THE HIGHEST AWARD THAT COLLEGE CAN BESTOW.

MR. DEPUTY CHANCELLOR, I PRESENT TO YOU KEITH VALENTINE LEIGHTON KESTEVEN, DIPLOMA IN AGRICULTURE (HAWKESBURY), BACHELOR OF VETERINARY SCIENCE, ASSOCIATE OF THE ROYAL COLLEGE OF VETERINARY SURGEONS, FELLOW OF THE AUSTRALIAN SOCIETY OF ANIMAL PRODUCTION, FOR ADMISSION TO THE DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF VETERINARY SCIENCE 'HONORIS CAUSA'."