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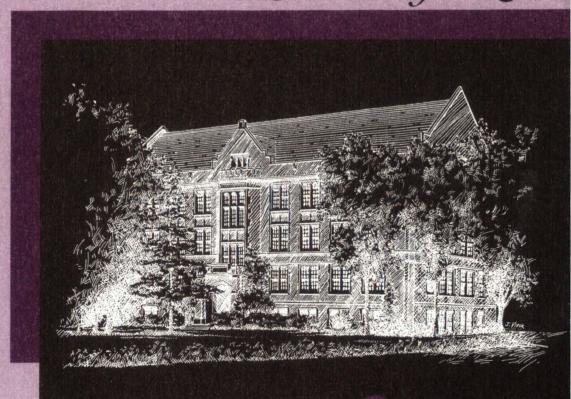
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UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA MAY 13, 2000

COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

1:30 p.m. Saturday, May 13, 2000 Chester Fritz Auditorium

Prelude Music	Christopher Anderson, pianist	
Processional	"Pomp and Circumstance," by Edward Elgar Christopher Anderson, <i>pianist</i>	
Presiding	W. Jeremy Davis Dean of the School of Law	
Opening Remarks	Mark Brickson Director of Career Services, School of Law	
Commencement Address	Earl Pomeroy U.S. Congressman, North Dakota	
Conferring of Academic Degrees	Charles E. Kupchella President of the University of North Dakota	
	Proctor: Randy Le Hooders: Al Bott, P Marcia O	
Closing Remarks	Mark Brickson Director of Career Services, School of Law	
Recessional	Voluntary on "Alma Mater" Christopher Anderson, <i>pianist</i>	
University Marshals	The University Marshals escort the degree candidates and platform personnel in the ceremony. They have been selected from the first- year and second-year students primarily on the basis of academic excellence.	
	Larrin Bergman Allen Brabender Jason Broberg Erin Diaz Forde Fairchild Christopher Fischer Laurel Hanson Matt Kipp	Kari Knudson Troy LeFevre Lora Lewicki Bradley Meyer Gene Pearce Sara Sorenson Sara Stenberg Anna Marie Stenson

Commencement Speaker

EARL POMEROY U.S. Congressman, North Dakota

Earl Pomeroy was born in Valley City, North Dakota on September 2, 1952. He attended Valley City State University before transferring to the University of North Dakota where he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science in 1975 and his Juris Doctor in 1979. After receiving his law degree, Pomeroy returned to his hometown and practiced law for five years. He was elected to the North Dakota House of Representatives in



1980 and then was elected State Insurance Commissioner in 1984. During his tenure as Insurance Commissioner, Pomeroy served as President of the National Association of Insurance

Commissioners. He was elected to Congress in 1992. Pomeroy is a member of the House Agriculture and International Relations Committees and co-chair of the House Democrats' Task Force on Social Security. Now in his fourth term representing North Dakota, Pomeroy has distinguished himself in Congress as a substantive leader with common-sense solutions for the everyday problems families face. Pomeroy is married to Laurie Kirby from Dickinson, North Dakota; they have two children, Kathryn and Scott.

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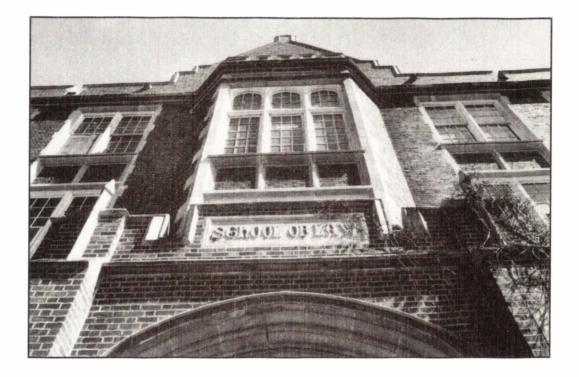
The School of Law

at the University of North Dakota was founded in 1899 and is among UND's oldest degree-granting units. It was the first of the University's professional schools to begin operations. Its first dean was Guy H. Corliss, who had served as the first Chief Justice of the North Dakota Supreme Court. Until it was moved to the campus during World War I, the School of Law was located in downtown Grand Forks. Despite its meager resources, the School grew quickly in popularity. The occupation had considerable prestige, and there was much demand for lawyers in this new state. In his history of UND, "University of the Northern Plains," Louis Geiger observed that "perhaps no other college paid off so quickly in broadening the University's influence in North Dakota."

Since 1911, the School of Law has been a member of the Association of American Law Schools. The School of Law was approved in 1923 by the American Bar Association's Section of Legal Education and Admission to the bar and has been continuously reaccredited since. By designation of the Department of Education, the ABA is the official accreditation body for American law schools.

Today, the School of Law maintains an enrollment of about 187, of whom about 40 percent are women. This graduating class numbers 63, including 46 women.

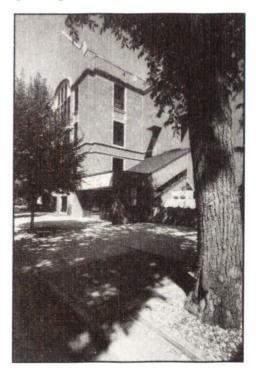
The University of North Dakota was established in 1883 — six years before North Dakota became a state — by an act of the Council of Dakota Territory. Since graduating its first class in 1889, the University has awarded over 89,000 degrees. Presently, about 10,500 students enroll each year at the University of North Dakota.



Founded in 1899, the School of Law did not have classes or offices on campus until World War I. Its first home was in narrow quarters within the "Security" block in downtown Grand Forks. That group of buildings was among the downtown structures destroyed in the spectacular fire during the great April 1997 flood.

The School's second downtown home, the Clifford Building, also was claimed by the flood. That heavily damaged structure was demolished to make room for a corporate complex.

The Law School Building was dedicated on February 22, 1924, as the School was entering its second quarter-century of service. After another half-century, the Law School dedicated its new Olaf Thormodsgard Law Library in October 1974. Its diagonal "wall of windows" floods the structure with natural north light.



Lux et Lex

The Latin phrase "Lux et Lex," or "Light and Law," was adopted as the motto of the University of North Dakota in 1908 by a faculty-student committee which also created the official seal that is still in use today.

At a convocation opening the 1968-69 academic year, Dr. George Starcher, President of the University from 1954 to 1971, observed, "But the light requires law, and good law depends upon the light of truth . . . The atmosphere of a university is the never-ending search for understanding, but it is also a spirit of humility which is not too sure that it is right. Have patience in the name of justice, and avoid intolerance in the name of freedom."



The "light of truth" is symbolized on the UND campus by the Old Main Memorial Sphere. Erected on the site of the University's first building, it represents the search for knowledge and the spirit of principle, responsibility and social progress.

