Maxine Houghton Wallin '48 and Winston R. Wallin

The Trustees of Macalester College

honor you for a lifetime of outstanding and dedicated service to Minnesota, the Twin Cities, and Macalester College. You have displayed tremendous leadership in business, education, civic engagement, and philanthropy, leading both by persuasion and by example. You serve as excellent role models for other leaders and for the Macalester community, particularly our students.

In the business community, Win has served with distinction as president of The Pillsbury Company and later as CEO and then Chairman of Medtronic, Inc. During your 11 years with Medtronic, you were known as the consummate ethical leader, a man with a can-do attitude, an engaging sense of humor, and an ability to focus on the mission at hand. Your leadership carried over to the Caux Round Table where business leaders from around the world discussed corporate responsibility and other key issues.

You both have been deeply involved in the community, winning national and state awards for service and leadership. Maxine, Macalester Class of 1948, has served, among others, the Presbyterian Homes of Minnesota, Sojourner Shelter for Battered Women, Planned Parenthood, the Greater Minneapolis Council of Churches, the Minnesota International Center, and the Women's Club of Minneapolis. Win has served Abbott-Northwestern Hospital, the Minneapolis Institute of Arts, as chair of the board at Carleton College, and as a special adviser to the president of the University of Minnesota, where he helped reorganize the health sciences and the medical school.

Both of you have been great friends and supporters of Macalester, with Maxine leading the effort to raise funds for the Wallace Hall renovation, hosting events at your Arizona home, and providing ideas and energy to the college's development efforts.

It is in the field of educational philanthropy where you have made the most dramatic difference. In 1991, you began the Wallin Scholarship Program at Win's alma mater, Minneapolis South High. The program provides scholarships to inner city high school students who seek to attend college. It later grew to include students from all Minneapolis high schools. More than 1,750 students have benefited from your generosity over the years. This year alone at Macalester, there are 13 Wallin Scholars. The kind of commitment you have made to these young people is unprecedented and extraordinary. It demonstrates your outstanding leadership and service to this community.

It is with deep gratitude that we present to you

Maxine and Winston Wallin

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