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The officers and Board of Directors of the Iowa Academy of Science dedicate this issue of the *Journal of the Iowa Academy of Science* to Jim Macmillan in recognition of his five years of exemplary leadership. During this period, Jim's managerial expertise has served the Academy well and membership has grown significantly. Under Jim's guidance the Academy has improved its financial base through sound fiscal policies, and important steps have been taken in the area of computerized record keeping and data management. The Iowa Science Foundation, started under Jim's tenure, continues to provide our state with valuable support for basic research and innovative service projects. It is unusual for the committee structure of a large volunteer organization, such as the Academy, to function so efficiently. The success of the committees is attributable, in part, to dedicated Academy members, but also to Jim's gentle reminders, attention to detail, and enthusiastic leadership. Jim works closely with the IAS committees, and he works diligently to see that committee recommendations are implemented.

The Iowa Academy of Science can take pride in its present stature and enviable position among state academies. We pay tribute to Jim for his leadership during the past five years, and we wish him well in future endeavors.