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## **Honorary Degree Awarded to Retiring Faculty**

### **Fred Schroeder, Professor of the Conservatory of Music**

"For more than a quarter of a century you have given Lawrence a precious gift of beauty. You have known the magic of music and you have taught it well. Your superior musicianship, teaching, and leadership have enabled you to become one of the great band directors of our nation and one of its most respected and beloved teachers. Your experience in wind instruments and wind literature exemplifies the life of the musician and scholar.

Thousands of students have known you personally and have loved you deeply, and you have had a profound and lasting influence on their lives. Through them, future generations will come to know and to understand your remarkable human qualities and your quest for the beautiful in music and in all of life.

By the authority vested in me, I now confer upon you the degree of Master of Arts, *ad eundem*, and admit you to its rights, its privileges, and its obligations."

*Citation read by President Thomas Smith at Commencement, 1978*