Mr. Chancellor, it is my pleasure to introduce Grant Reuber, a man whose record gives living testimony that a career in economics can be a life endowed richly with creative dynamism and social commitment, as well as academic performance and personal fulfillment.

Indeed, Dr. Reuber has reached a level of such outstanding achievement in four different pursuits, that each by itself would merit honour in any single individual. As a scholar, administrator, public official, and businessman, Dr. Reuber has focused his considerable energies toward helping Canada become a freer, more humane, and more productive society.

After receiving his Ph.D. from Harvard University in 1957, Dr. Reuber taught at the University of Western Ontario. During his academic career, he wrote widely on such topics as international capital flows, wage adjustment processes, and Canadian economic policy—all scholarly, and timely issues.

Meanwhile, as a university administrator holding positions of increasing responsibility, he demonstrated exceptional management and leadership abilities. After serving as Chairman of the Department of Economics at the University of Western Ontario, he became in rapid succession Dean, then Vice President and Provost. As a mark of his success, the Department of Economics at that University evolved during his tenure into one of Canada's, and then the world's best.

Dr. Reuber's third area of remarkable achievement was in government, where he served on various assignments with the Bank of Canada, the Royal Commission on Banking and Finance, and the federal Ministry of Finance. From 1979 to 1980, he headed the Ministry as its Deputy Minister. While serving as Chairman of the Ontario Economic Council during the 1970's, he significantly boosted that organization's output, influence, and prestige.

Now, Dr. Reuber has embarked on yet another career. In 1980, he joined the Bank of Montreal as its Executive Vice-President; and today he holds the position of President and Chief Operating Officer.

Whether in business, academia, or public affairs, Dr. Reuber has gained a measure of distinction rarely attained. Being himself a model of drive and determination, he inspires the best in those around him. He is also respected for his fairness and consideration, and above all for his deep concern for the welfare of Canadian society.

Mr. Chancellor, on behalf of the Senate of this University, I present to you an outstanding Canadian, Grant Louis Reuber, for the degree of Doctor of Laws, honoris causa.