



ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

LILA M. GIERASCH is a true daughter of Mary Lyon. Scholar, teacher, university colleague, champion of the environment and of living things, she is a woman of excellent and graceful accomplishment.

Her record since graduation in 1970 constitutes a career of the first rank. Her research program has won her national and international recognition in the area of biophysical chemistry. She has been honored by the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation as one of the most outstanding young scientists in this country, and recently won one of the first Vincent duVigneaud Awards in Peptide Chemistry.

Lila has, however, been equally attentive to her role in the professional development of her students, her university and her discipline. Both at the graduate and undergraduate level, those fortunate enough to have studied with her have awarded her the highest marks for teaching and scholarly concern. In all her activities, Lila has shown a remarkable talent in finding her point of equilibrium between the requirements of professional development and the claims of her community upon her talents.

Lila, you have gained an outstanding professional reputation with an understated personal style and a genuine concern for others. It is our pleasure to honor you with the Mary Lyon Award.

MARY LYON AWARD

Mount Holyoke College

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