

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

# ALUMNAE MEDAL OF HONOR 2019

PRESENTED TO



*Elizabeth Cochary Gross '79*

**ELIZABETH COCHARY GROSS, CLASS OF 1979**, the Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College is pleased to honor you with the Alumnae Medal of Honor. This award is presented to an alumna for eminent service in promoting the effectiveness of the Alumnae Association and/or College. Significant leadership, specific accomplishments and stellar service have been consistent over an extended period of time and broad-based across multiple areas of involvement, which include classes, clubs, global regions, groups, the Association and the College.

Elizabeth, in the years since graduation you have used your professional experience and strategic-thinking skills to influence key decisions at Mount Holyoke. Your guidance has led to visible changes on campus and has helped to strengthen the overall fiscal direction of the College.

As a member of the Mount Holyoke Board of Trustees and current chair of the Advancement and Engagement Committee, you have been involved in a broad range of initiatives. Of recent importance is your role in the planning of the new Community Center. You brought your vision to the board and worked with committee members to align progress with original ideas. You have been instrumental in bringing modern student dining to campus and creating a welcome place for students to gather for nutritionally sound meals. As chair of the Advancement and Engagement Committee, you researched the College's gift acceptance policy and organized a retreat with Advancement staff in preparation for a committee meeting. With great modesty you have assumed leadership roles on campus, and your extraordinary contributions have benefited the College immensely.

ELIZABETH, for your eminent service, the Alumnae Association is honored to present you with the Alumnae Medal of Honor on this, your fortieth, reunion.

MARIA Z. MOSSAIDES '73  
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