

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

ELIZABETH TOPHAM KENNAN AWARD 2020

PRESENTED TO



Lynn Pasquerella '80

LYNN PASQUERELLA, CLASS OF 1980, the Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College is pleased to honor you with the Elizabeth Topham Kennan Award. This award is presented to alumnae whose accomplishments in the field of education exemplify the values set forth by the College.

Lynn, as a philosopher and educator you have demonstrated a strong commitment to the accessibility and long-term success of a liberal arts education.

Currently president of the American Association of Colleges and Universities, you began your career as an ethics professor at the University of Rhode Island, where you eventually went on to become vice provost for academic affairs and dean of the graduate school. After serving as provost of the University of Hartford, you became the 18th president of Mount Holyoke College in 2010.

A doctor of philosophy whose area of interest is medical ethics, you have received funding through the U.S. Department of Energy to work on ethical issues related to the Human Genome Project as well as research grants from the National Endowment for the Humanities, the National Science Foundation and many others. As principal investigator on an NSF Advance grant to promote the careers of women in STEM disciplines, you have encouraged recruitment of underrepresented groups into the professoriate in STEM fields. In May 2019 you were named one of America's Top 35 Women in Higher Education by *Diverse: Issues in Higher Education* for your local and global engagement and commitment to higher education. You have received numerous awards, including the 2018 Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award for Distinguished Humanitarian Service and Altruism from Mary Baldwin College. You are also the recipient of multiple honorary doctorates.

LYNN, for your outstanding accomplishments, the Alumnae Association is honored to present you with the Elizabeth Topham Kennan Award on this, your fortieth, reunion.

MARIA Z. MOSSAIDES '73
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