Continuing the Legacy:
The Owen R. Fennema Professorship in Food Chemistry

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Statement of Support for the
Owen R. Fennema Professorship in Food Chemistry

Perhaps more than any other individual, Owen Fennema created a legacy of excellence that is tightly woven into the history of achievement in the Department of Food Science: excellence in research, instruction, service, and, perhaps above all, leadership. The numerous awards and positions attained by Owen reflect the highest level of accomplishment in all of these areas.

Owen’s intellect coupled with the manner in which he conducted himself made the Department of Food Science a special place to learn, grow, and fuel aspirations. Certainly, Owen contributed mightily to the present reputation and stature of the Department of Food Science as a top-tier program, the benefits which the current faculty, staff, and students enjoy today. Indeed, we are privileged to have been associated with him as a colleague and friend.

The Owen R. Fennema Endowed Professorship in Food Chemistry will provide an enduring memory of Owen’s presence and impact on this department. The professorship will expand research excellence in UW-Madison Food Science, and the individual supported by this endowment will address both graduate and undergraduate students on research topics and important areas of scholarly pursuit. The impact of Owen’s activities, as well as those of other Department giants, will be presented to new students to ensure they understand our rich history of achievement and to inspire them as Owen had done.

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