

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE CITATION



H. Ronald Pulliam

The Distinguished Service Citation recognizes long and distinguished service to the ESA, to the larger scientific community, and to the larger purpose of ecology in the public welfare. The winner of the 2002 Distinguished Service Award is H. Ronald Pulliam, Regents Professor of Ecology at the University of Georgia. Professor Pulliam is unique in fulfilling completely all three criteria for this award: he has contributed long, distinguished service to our Society, to the larger scientific community, and has made highly significant contributions toward the application of ecology to the public welfare. This is in addition to being a first-class, internationally known scientist whose ideas have contributed substantively to current research in behavioral ecology.

Ron Pulliam has served as ESA's Vice President and President. He helped to initiate the *Issues in Ecology* series that has encouraged ecologists to relate their research to public policy issues. He played a key role in developing the Sustainable Biosphere Initiative, which greatly raised the profile of ESA, and the field of ecology, in global environmental issues. Both of these efforts continue as major ESA activities.

In 1994, Ron bravely stepped outside the walls of academia, taking a leave of absence from the University of Georgia to serve as the Director of the National Biological Survey. He subse-

quently served as Science Advisor to the Secretary of the Interior. While in Washington, he made major institutional changes that strengthened the role of ecological science within the Interior Department, and he continues to serve as an advisor on national environmental policy. He also has served on a wide range of boards for major environmental councils and organizations that have played an important role in bringing good ecological science into the arena of public policy. He currently is on the Board of Directors of the Committee for the National Institute for the Environment; the National Research Council's Commission on the Environment, Geosciences, and Resources; the Board of Directors of the Defenders of Wildlife; and the Science Advisory Board for the David and Lucille Packard Foundation.

For his service to the Society, to the scientific community, and to the purpose of ecology in the public welfare, ESA is delighted to award the Distinguished Service Award to Ron Pulliam.

Distinguished Service Citation Subcommittee: Katherine L. Gross (Chair), Deborah Goldberg, Robert Holt, Beatrice VanHorne, Paul Dayton, and Peter Groffman.

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