ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD 2018

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LYNN M. KELLY, CLASS OF 1978, the Alumnae Association of Mount Holyoke College is pleased to honor you with the Achievement Award. This award is presented to alumnae whose accomplishments and service to society exemplify the values and virtues set forth by the College.

Lynn, you have dedicated your professional life to public interest law, working to ensure that those without financial means have access to meaningful advocacy. In a career spanning more than thirty-five years, you have worked both on the front lines and in myriad leadership roles to bridge the justice gap.

While earning your law degree at New York University Law School, you got your first taste of public interest law, working as a law clerk in Community Legal Services of Yuma/La Paz Counties in Arizona. You then clerked in the State Office of the Attorney General in New York and for the Honorable Charles E. Stewart in the Southern District of New York. Soon after graduation, you began volunteering for the New York State Bar Association, serving for two years as chair of the Reproductive Rights Subcommittee. You were director of litigation of the Harlem Neighborhood offices of the Legal Aid Society, and then, in 1998, you were named executive director of the nonprofit law firm MFY Legal Services, a national leader in poverty law now known as Mobility for Justice. Since 2007 you have served as executive director of the City Bar Justice Center, a division of the City Bar Fund. In this role, you have helped match more than one thousand *pro bono* cases each year, leveraging \$17 million in free legal services to the poor.

Lynn, for your outstanding accomplishments, the Alumnae Association is honored to present you with the Achievement Award on this, your fortieth, reunion.