

ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION OF MOUNT HOLYOKE COLLEGE

ELIZABETH TOPHAM KENNAN AWARD 2019

PRESENTED TO



Fahima Aziz '79

FAHIMA AZIZ, CLASS OF 1979, 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.

Fahima, as a distinguished faculty member and leader in higher education institutions in the United States and around the world, you have been a passionate supporter of women's education and a champion for educational access.

You received a doctorate in economics from the University of Minnesota and began your teaching career in the departments of management and economics at Hamline University in Minnesota. During your time at Hamline you served the university in multiple capacities, including as chair of the Environmental Studies Program. Your research included the study of microfinance, poverty and income inequality, gender issues in the labor market, women and leadership, and scholarship of teaching and learning. In 2012 you were appointed to serve as vice chancellor of the Asian University for Women in Bangladesh, where you helped to advance the mission to educate women for lives of leadership and service. After retiring in 2015, you continued your service to higher education, serving as adjunct professor at the Carlson School of Management at the University of Minnesota and at the University of St. Thomas's economics department.

You are highly respected by your peers and your students and have earned many awards. These include the Burton-Ruth Grimes Teaching Award — the highest award given to a professor who exemplifies the scholar-teacher ideal, the John Wesley Trustee Award for your outstanding leadership and contributions as a faculty member, and the award for Best Advisor in the Major, all from Hamline University.

FAHIMA, for your 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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