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Preface

September 2003 marked the 30th anniversary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Science and Technology Policy Fellowship Programs. To celebrate the program’s accomplishments, highlight the impact the program has had on its recipients, and the impact its recipients have had on science policy, AAAS convened a 30th Anniversary Planning Committee to guide the activities.

The Committee set out to define the scope and set the goals of the 30th anniversary celebrations, wishing to recognize the successes of the past while looking toward the future of science and public policy. Striving for an event with lasting impact, the Committee decided on a symposium, featuring speakers of stature focusing on issues that relate to science, technology and public policy over the next 30 years. This 1.5 day program, entitled Vision 2033: Linking Science and Policy for Tomorrow’s World, became the focal point of the celebration marking the 30th anniversary of the AAAS Fellowship Programs.

Three themes were selected for the symposium:
- Science, Technology and the Human Condition;
- Science, Technology and Global Security; and
- Energy, the Environment and Global Change.

These themes became the panel discussion topics for the Vision 2033 symposium, which featured 27 speakers and panelists. Taking the discussion beyond Washington to the AAAS Annual Meeting held in Seattle, WA, in February, 2004, these areas of focus were used to design a separate three-hour symposium, which included an additional six speakers. This book is organized around the presentations at the Vision 2033 symposium and the AAAS Annual Meeting.

The 30th Anniversary event, originally to be held in September 2003 but postponed due to Hurricane Isabel, took place on May 13 and 14, 2004, in Washington, DC.
Statements of Support from the U.S. President and Congress

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Recognizing the significance of the anniversary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship Program, and reaffirming the commitment to support the use of science in governmental decisionmaking through such Program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 15, 2003

Mr. EHLERS (for himself, Mr. BOEHLERT, Mr. HOLT, Mr. HALL, Mr. STARK, Mr. PETERSON of Pennsylvania, Mr. MARKEY, Mr. RANGEL, Mr. BROWN of Ohio, Mr. ROHRABACHER, Mr. FILNER, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. McDERMOTT, Mr. SCHIFF, Mr. GUTKNECHT, Mr. OBERSTAR, Mr. HINCHLEY, Mr. SMITH of Michigan, Ms. SLAUGHTER, Mr. ENGEL, Mr. BERMAN, Mr. LANTOS, Mr. BOUCHER, Mr. DOGGETT, Mr. JOHNSON of Illinois, Mr. SPRATT, and Mr. BARTON of Texas) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Science

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Recognizing the significance of the anniversary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship Program, and reaffirming the commitment to support the use of science in governmental decisionmaking through such Program.

Whereas Congress hosted the American Association for the Advancement of Science’s (AAAS) first Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows 30 years ago in 1973;
Whereas the AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship Program was the first to provide an opportunity for Ph.D.-level scientists and engineers to learn about the policymaking process while bolstering the technical expertise available to Members of Congress and staff;

Whereas Members of Congress hold the AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship Program in high regard for the substantial contributions that Fellows have made, serving both in personal offices and on committee staff;

Whereas the Congress is increasingly involved in public policy issues of a scientific and technical nature and recognizes the need to develop additional in-house expertise in the areas of science and engineering;

Whereas more than 800 individuals have held AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowships since 1973;

Whereas the AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows represent the full range of physical, biological, and social sciences, and all fields of engineering;

Whereas the AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows bring to the Congress new insights and ideas, extensive knowledge, and perspectives from a variety of disciplines;

Whereas the AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows learn about legislative, oversight, and investigative activities through assignments that offer a wide array of responsibilities;

Whereas AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowships provide an opportunity for scientists and engi-
neers to transition into careers in government service; and

Whereas many former AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows return to their disciplines and share knowledge with students and peers to encourage more scientists and engineers to participate in informing government processes: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the Congress—

(1) recognizes the significance of the anniversary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship Program;

(2) acknowledges the value of 30 years of participation by the American Association for the Advancement of Science Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows; and

(3) reaffirms its commitment to support the use of science in governmental decisionmaking through the American Association for the Advancement of Science Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship Program.
Recognizing the significance of the 30th anniversary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship Program, and reaffirming the commitment of Congress to support the use of science in governmental decisionmaking through such program.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES
MAY 12, 2004

Mr. LIEBERMAN (for himself, Mr. BIDEN, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. DURBIN, Mr. DOMENICI, Mr. SCHUMER, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. KOHL, Mr. REID, Mr. WARNER, Mr. WYDEN, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mr. INHOFE, and Ms. SNOWE) submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was considered and agreed to

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Recognizing the significance of the 30th anniversary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship Program, and reaffirming the commitment of Congress to support the use of science in governmental decisionmaking through such program.

Whereas Congress hosted the first American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows in 1973;
Whereas the AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship Program was the first to provide an opportunity for Ph.D.-level scientists and engineers to learn about the policymaking process while bolstering the technical expertise available to members of Congress and their staff;

Whereas members of Congress hold the AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship Program in high regard for the substantial contributions that AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows have made, serving both in personal offices and on committee staff;

Whereas Congress is increasingly involved in public policy issues of a scientific and technical nature, and recognizes the need to develop additional in-house expertise in the areas of science and engineering;

Whereas more than 800 individuals have held AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowships since 1973;

Whereas the AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows represent the full range of physical, biological, and social sciences and all fields of engineering;

Whereas the AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows bring to Congress new insights and ideas, extensive knowledge, and perspectives from a variety of disciplines;

Whereas the AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows learn about legislative, oversight, and investigative activities through assignments that offer a wide array of responsibilities;

Whereas AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowships provide an opportunity for scientists and engi-
Whereas many former AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows return to their disciplines and share knowledge with students and peers to encourage more scientists and engineers to participate in informing government processes; Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That Congress—

(1) recognizes the significance of the 30th anniversary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship Program;

(2) acknowledges the value of over 30 years of participation in the legislative process by the AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellows; and

(3) reaffirms its commitment to support the use of science in governmental decisionmaking through the AAAS Congressional Science and Engineering Fellowship Program.
Acknowledgments

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We are indebted to the members of the 30th Anniversary Planning Committee, who first came together in May 2002, not knowing that Hurricane Isabel would land in the Washington, DC, area on the very day of the planned symposium and extend their service. Paget Graham, Program Manager with the Fellowship Programs, took the lead staff role in coordinating activities, putting in countless hours with enthusiasm and diligence. The events and this resulting publication would not have happened without the hard work and dedication of all of the above people.

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- AAAS Program on Science, Arms Control and National Security
- Acoustical Society of America
- Alfred P. Sloan Foundation
- American Academy of Physician Assistants
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- American Association for Clinical Chemistry
- American Association for the Advancement of Science
- American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy
- American Chemical Society
- American Dental Association
- American Geophysical Institute
- American Geophysical Union
- American Historical Association
- American Institute of Aeronautics & Astronautics
- American Institute of Biological Sciences
- American Institute of Chemical Engineers
- American Institute of Physics
- American Mathematical Society/Mathematical Association of America/Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics
- American Meteorological Society
- American Nuclear Society
- American Philosophical Association
- American Physical Society
- American Podiatric Medical Association
- American Psychological Association
- American Society of Horticultural Sciences
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