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The University of Alaska Fairbanks expresses its deep appreciation to Dr. Joseph A. Dupras for his contributions to the State of Alaska and the University.