

John Wilson Porter

Mr. President, I have the honor to present as a candidate for an honorary degree, JOHN WILSON PORTER, Superintendent of Public Instruction for the State of Michigan.

Recognition of unusual accomplishment has accompanied Mr. Porter throughout his career. His education included a bachelor's degree from Albion College and a master's and a doctorate from Michigan State University. Prior to positions in higher education he worked as a custodian, a farmer, a public-school teacher, and a reporter. He has lectured in the field of counseling at Michigan State and Oakland Universities; his series of appointments in state educational agencies culminated in 1969 with the Superintendency of Public Instruction.

Athletic, scholarly, and service awards have accumulated to Mr. Porter: among them the distinguished alumni award of Albion College, honorary degrees from Albion College, Adrian College, and Western Michigan University, and a Joint Resolution of Recognition by the Michigan Legislature.

As a part of the higher educational enterprise, Kalamazoo College appropriately honors outstanding leadership in a colleague.

I recommend, therefore, on behalf of the Faculty of Kalamazoo College, that upon JOHN WILSON PORTER be conferred the honorary degree, Doctor of Humanities.