



April 23, 2002

Diane A. Hirakawa
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The Iams Company
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Ellen Bergfeld
Executive Director
American Society of Animal Science
1111 North Dunlap Avenue
Savoy, IL 61874

Dear Ellen:

Please find enclosed a check in the amount of \$60,000 to establish a perpetual “Jim Corbin Award in Companion Animal Biology.” This award will recognize an established animal scientist, in either academia or industry, who has made significant contributions either in companion animal nutrition or some other aspects of companion animal biology via teaching or research.

As we discussed earlier, these funds are being provided for investment in a restricted account and to draw interest in order to provide a plaque and the award of \$1500 per year. Further, the award will be adjusted every 5 years to keep pace with inflation.

Thank you for coordinating the effort, and helping The Iams Company to make this a truly special award.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Diane A. Hirakawa", written in a cursive style.

Diane A. Hirakawa

Enclosures

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April 29, 2002

Diane Hirakawa
The Iams Company
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Dear Diane:

Thank you for your intense interest and support as well as for Iams' corporate support and generosity in agreeing to provide the funds (\$60,000) to establish the "Jim Corbin Award in Companion Animal Biology." This award will recognize an established animal scientist, in either academia or industry, who has made significant contributions either in companion animal nutrition or some other aspect of companion animal biology via teaching or research.

The American Society of Animal Science (ASAS) and the ASAS Foundation are extremely pleased to acknowledge your gift and we are very appreciative of the Iams Company's commitment to the companion animal area. The award will be presented yearly, beginning at the 2002 ASAS joint meeting with ADSA and CSAS in Quebec City, Canada, to a deserving individual.

As agreed, we will place these funds in a designated fund, within the ASAS Foundation accounts, for the purpose of drawing interest to provide a plaque and a monetary award of \$1500 per year to the recipient. The monetary award will be evaluated and adjusted every five years to ensure that the award keeps pace with inflation.

Diane, I sincerely appreciate your assistance and time and look forward to our continued interaction. As you indicated in your letter, this is a truly special award. It will be engraved on the plaque, that this award has been "established in honor of Dr. James E. Corbin, whose pioneering achievements influenced the advancement of nutritional science for companion animals." As I continue to get to know Jim, I can tell you that I fully agree that he is the most deserving person to be so honored!

Sincerely,

Ellen Bergfeld, Ph.D.
ASAS Executive Director
ASAS Foundation Treasurer

CC: Dr. Steve Webel, ASAS Foundation Chair
Dr. Stanley Curtis
Dr. James Corbin