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DR. VICTOR CATANO SAINT MARY'S UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR RECEIVES AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDUCATION AND TRAINING OF PSYCHOLOGY

OTTAWA, JUNE 3, 2003 -- Canadian Psychological Association (CPA) President, Dr. Abraham Ross is pleased to announce that Dr. Victor Catano of Saint Mary's University has been selected as the 2003 recipient of the CPA Award for distinguished contributions to education and training of psychology.

"Those of us who have had the opportunity to work with and learn from Vic Catano, know that he has made a substantial impact on the training of I/O psychologists in Canada" said Dr. Kevin Kelloway, Professor and Ph.D. Program Director, Department of Management, at Saint Mary's University. "Many individuals can teach what psychology is, but there are only a few individuals who can motivate students toward what the practice of psychology should be. Vic is one of these rare professionals."

Dr. Catano joined the faculty of Saint Mary's University in 1972 and is the Chairperson of the Department of Psychology since 1994. He was a key player in the early 1980s in initiating the M.Sc. program in I/O Psychology. He has since supervised approximately 40 M.Sc. students, and countless honour students, in their thesis research. Dr. Catano completed his PH.D. in 1972 at Lehigh University, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania.

The Canadian Psychological Association is holding it's 64th Annual Convention in Hamilton, from June 12 to 14, 2003. This year's gathering of more than 900 psychologists and psychology students is co-hosted by the Ontario Psychological Association (OPA). CPA Awards will be presented during the Welcoming Ceremony, on Thursday, June 12 at 9 a.m., in room Chedoke A of the Hamilton Convention Centre, 1 Summers Lane, Hamilton, Ontario.

The Canadian Psychological Association is the national organization in Canada representing 5 200 psychologists and students in psychology from all Canadian Provinces and Territories. Its objectives are to lead, advance and promote psychology as a science and as a profession for the benefit of humanity; to provide leadership in psychology in Canada; to promote a sense of identity among psychologists; to promote the advancement, dissemination, and practical application of psychological knowledge; to develop standards and ethical principles for education, training, science and practice in psychology.

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