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The 2005 Commencement**

**Ellen Baxter '75
Doctor of Humane Letters**

A 1994 recipient of Bowdoin's Common Good Award, Ellen Baxter has been a tireless advocate for the homeless in New York City. As executive director of Broadway Housing, she has been described as New York's most accomplished not-for-profit entrepreneur. Baxter began her work in the early 1980s with the Community Service Society. With two colleagues, she formed Broadway Housing and raised money and public awareness with her renovation of a building into 55 single-room occupancy units for those in need. The success of the program has led to the renovation or construction of more buildings for housing and has brought national attention and additional resources to bear on issues of homelessness.