

**BOWDOIN COLLEGE**  
**Commencement 1989**

FRANCES W. PEABODY, civic leader, businesswoman, daughter of Smith College, winner of Westbrook's Deborah Morton Award, and a Portland neighbor from New Mexico, you are recognized today for a lifetime of service. The philanthropic causes with which you have been associated in your eighty-six years are legion. one, in which Bowdoin takes special local pride, is your work with the late Edith Sills in establishing Greater Portland Landmarks to preserve your city's historic architecture. More recently, when the tragic loss of your grandson brought you face to face with a disease many people are reluctant to mention, you did exactly what your long career of public service had prepared you to do: you became Maine's leading campaigner on behalf of men and women with AIDS, and a national figure in the effort to reconcile AIDS patients and their families. Today we honor you, Frannie Peabody -- as you seem to be known to everyone -- for your courage, your conviction, your concern for others, and declare you *honoris causa*, DOCTOR OF HUMANE LETTERS.