Raymond Dunn, you personify the WPI ideals of problem solving, teamwork, and leadership. We honor you today for the distinguished career in plastic surgery you have built upon these principles.

A chemistry major at WPI, you went on to earn your MD at Albany Medical College and completed your general surgical training at the University of Massachusetts Medical School and plastic surgery training at Eastern Virginia Medical School. You are currently chief of plastic and reconstructive surgery at UMass Medical Center and are board certified in plastic surgery and hand surgery. For the Division of Plastic Surgery, you have focused your reconstructive surgical skill on patients with chronic wounds of the lower legs and on patients with traumatic injuries requiring microsurgical reconstruction. You are also a professor of surgery and cell biology at the University of Massachusetts Medical School and an adjunct professor of biomedical engineering at WPI.

You have a significant interest in medical device development. As CEO of 5G Medical, a small biotech firm you established with a fellow WPI graduate, you are working to commercialize the 10 patents you hold. You are especially proud of your work with WPI students, noting that some of those students have made contributions to these patents through their project work. In addition you have mentored more than 25 Major Qualifying Projects, as well as graduate students, in biomedical engineering. Several of your undergraduate project teams have won the Provost's Award for their work.

WPI is not the first to honor you. Named consistently to the list of Best Doctors in the nation, you are recognized as an exceptional leader in the field of plastic surgery. You were elected president of the New England Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons in 2005 and in 2002 you were awarded the Godina Fellowship from the American Society for Reconstructive Microsurgery. In 1993, the WPI Alumni Association presented you with the Ichabod Washburn Young Alumni Award for Outstanding Professional Achievement. In another year, you will celebrate two more WPI achievements when your daughters graduate from the university and join the ranks of WPI alumni.

In a recent interview with WPI, you credited the university’s emphasis on problem solving with making you a better surgeon. Raymond Dunn, today we are pleased to credit you with bringing pride to your alma mater through your remarkable career. The WPI Alumni Association presents you with the Robert H. Goddard Award for Outstanding Professional Achievement.