

EDITORIAL PAGE

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PRIDE IN ACHIEVEMENT

The career heights to which professional environmental health personnel may aspire are as great as the individual's capabilities and desires. While it was once thought there was a career ceiling over professionals in environmental health, time and experience have proved individual capabilities equal those in other professions. There is a solid record of high achievement in government academia, industry, professional organizations and community service. There are Directors of Health, Directors of Environmental Health agencies, professors, deans, industry and association executives, and various other managerial capacities listed within the ranks of the National Environmental Health Association. Environmental quality is an important goal in our society, and protecting human health is an essential part of that goal. Capable environmental health personnel are necessary in achieving that goal and, as a profession, we need not take a back seat to any other group. Any question of the capabilities, status or professionalism comes from negative attitudes rather than from the lack of expertise or the need for same. Let's realize our value and continue to aspire and achieve, and be proud of our part in providing a better environment as the habitat of "man."