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.”