DEDICATION

This volume of the Rocky Mountain Mathematics Journal is dedicated to Paul Waltman on the occasion of his sixtieth birthday. The papers in this volume were presented at the 20th Midwest ODE Meeting, celebrating Professor Waltman's birthday, held at the University of Iowa, December 5 and 6, 1991. Almost all of these focus on areas of mathematics to which Paul Waltman has contributed.

Paul Waltman is the author or coauthor of four books and numerous research articles in such areas of mathematics as boundary value problems, dynamical systems and mathematical ecology, epidemiology and immunology. His work has strongly influenced the direction of research in these areas and he has been influential and inspirational in recruiting many mathematicians to work in these areas, including a dozen doctoral students.

In view of the fact that Paul Waltman was one of the co-organizers of the first Midwest ODE Meeting, held in Iowa City in October of 1971, which has subsequently become an annual tradition, duplicated in several other regions of the country, it is particularly appropriate that this 20th Midwest ODE Meeting was dedicated to him and that it was held at the University of Iowa. The large number of mathematicians attending the meeting and the high quality of their presentations attest not only to the vitality of the tradition but also to the high regard in which he is held by the many mathematicians he has touched.

Paul, on behalf of all who attended the 20th Midwest ODE Meeting, we wish you many more happy birthdays to come and continued success in your mathematical career.

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