

PREFACE

One hundred and seven delegates from 9 states, the District of Columbia, 7 provinces, the Yukon Territory and Sweden participated in the 15th Annual North American Moose Conference and Workshop at Soldotna-Kenai, Alaska from March 12-16, 1979. We were particularly pleased to welcome delegates from Sweden once more. They not only participated in the Conference but also contributed useful papers to the Proceedings. Further evidence of our growing international recognition came from an intended delegate from Poland. Although prevented from attending at the last minute, he still submitted his paper for the Proceedings.

A special telemetry workshop permitted those working with radios to compare notes. Field trips demonstrated the Alaskan experience of moose and range. Alaskan hospitality was warm as usual, leaving those of us who could not attend envious of our more fortunate colleagues.

This 15th Conference and Workshop was dedicated to a pioneer and lifelong envoy of moose research, Laurits W. Krefting of Minnesota who died 18 November 1978. Larry was not only a colleague but a friend to many of us and will long be remembered both for his professional research and for his personal warmth.