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The response to our call-for-papers for this special tribute to Dr. Henry S. Fitch, which will extend into portions of the next two issues of *Reptiles & Amphibians*, was overwhelming. It speaks eloquently to the influence Dr. Fitch had on the herpetological community and to the high esteem in which he was held by his students, colleagues, acquaintances who frequently called upon him for advice, and those who merely read his many seminal publications.

Robert W. Henderson, who studied under Dr. Fitch, and Gad Perry, who stepped up from his usual role as associate editor, served as co-editors for this tribute. They reviewed or facilitated the review of all contributions, solicited content and images, and provided valuable insights throughout the process.

We thank Alice Fitch Echelle for her support and help in providing photographs. Dwight Platt, one of Dr. Fitch's earliest students, shared comments he presented at the 36th Annual Meeting of the Kansas Herpetological Society in November 2009. Joe and Suzanne L. Collins, Center for North American Herpetology, publicized the call-for-papers and donated a number of images. Scott A. Schaefer (*Copeia*), Robert Hansen (*Herpetological Review*), and the authors gave permission to reprint content originally published in those journals. Mostly, however, we were gratified by the response to our tribute to Dr. Fitch and his legacy — and take this opportunity to thank all of the contributors, including those whose work will appear in later issues.

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