

**HONORARY
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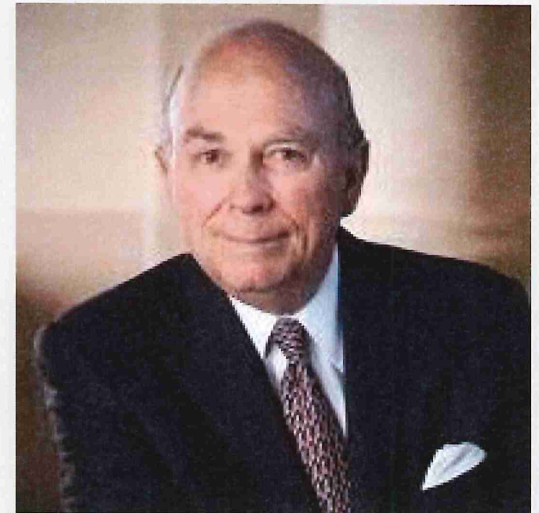
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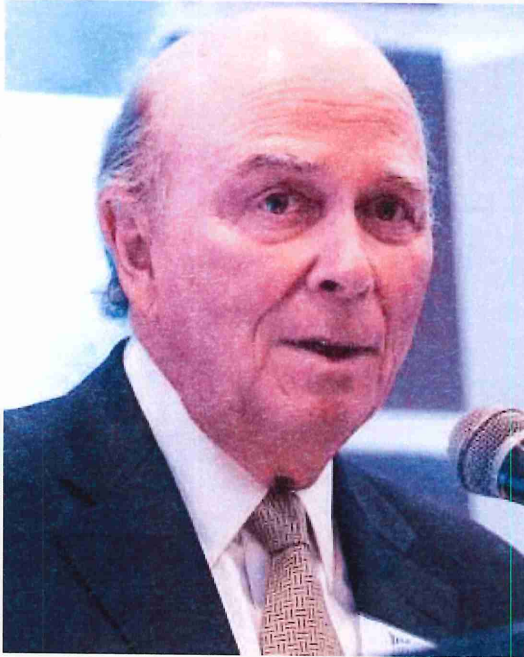
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Honorary Degree: Eugene Gargaro

- **Special recognition to an individual who has given unusual measure toward the betterment of humankind's intellectual, cultural, aesthetic, social and cultural fabric**
- **The conferral of the doctoral degree is a university's recognition of the highest academic achievement....so also is the conferral of the doctorate, honoris causa, a university's recognition of truly distinguished achievement beyond the classroom**



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Chairman, Board of Direction, Detroit Institute of Arts

Instrumental in the oversight of a \$160M renovation/expansion of the DIA

Led regional millage initiative that has provided \$230M to support the museum, and has been honored with DIA's Lifetime Service Award

Gene has also served as member of the board of trustees of U-Detroit Mercy, Legacy Retinoid Medical Center, New Detroit and board chair of the Michigan Manufacturers Association and Citizens Research Council of Michigan.

He was appointed president of the board at the University Liggett School, and to the board of governors of the Country Club of Detroit.

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