SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

Honorary Degree Citations
The degree of Doctor of Laws, *honoris causa*,
conferred on Dr. Reginald Golledge
Wednesday, June 6, 2001

Mr. Chancellor, there are individuals who make significant contributions to their chosen fields, and there are those who face adversity with noble spirit. Dr. Reginald Golledge serves as an exemplar both of academic achievement and of courage in the face of adversity.

Reginald Golledge is a behavioral geographer; in fact, he is one of the leading founders of that specialty and perhaps its most productive scholar. He has authored or edited 15 books, 60 book chapters and some 200 papers on subjects ranging from economic geography to behavioural cartography and visualization. Much of this work is seminal.

At the height of his career, he became blind. Able to see only a few vague shapes and motion, he set himself the formidable twin tasks of overcoming his disability and rebuilding his career. He succeeded admirably, producing a significant portion of his work after losing his sight. In the mid 1990s he was diagnosed with cancer, and again showed the same remarkable strength of character.