

## SUNNYBROOK'S CARDIAC SURGERY FOUNDER RECEIVES ORDER OF CANADA

**Toronto, ON (January 5, 2010)** – Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre is proud to congratulate Dr. Bernard S. Goldman on his recent appointment to the Order of Canada. Dr. Goldman founded the cardiac surgery program at Sunnybrook's Schulich Heart Centre, which has become one of the country's leading research and teaching centres for surgical interventions to treat cardiovascular disease.

This honour is bestowed upon Dr. Goldman for his contributions to the field of cardiac surgery and cardiac care. Dr. Goldman is a renowned clinician, researcher and educator who has been a mentor for countless professionals in this field and has saved the lives of literally thousands of patients over his 41-year career. Dr. Goldman has pioneered new approaches to aortic valve replacement, coronary artery bypass grafting and cardiac pacing. Dr. Goldman came to Sunnybrook in 1989 and established what has become one of Canada's leading divisions of cardiac surgery. He served as Head of the Division of Cardiac Surgery from 1989 to 1999 and as Surgeon in Chief of Sunnybrook from 1999 to 2003.

"Dr. Goldman is a true innovator and leader in his field and Sunnybrook is fortunate to have him as a member of our team," said Dr. Barry McLellan, President and CEO of Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre. "This is a well deserved honour that complements what has been an outstanding career."

In addition to his role as Cardiac Surgeon, Dr. Goldman is a Professor of Surgery at the University of Toronto, Editor of the *Journal of Cardiac Surgery* and Chairman of Save a Child's Heart Canada, providing heart surgery to children from underprivileged countries at no cost. He has led numerous research efforts to improve the care of cardiovascular surgery patients, has authored hundreds of peer reviewed articles, contributed chapters to medical text books and has recently published the second edition of *Heart Surgery in Canada: Memoirs, Anecdotes, History and Perspectives*.

To honor the significant contributions of Dr. Goldman, Sunnybrook has established the Dr. Bernard S. Goldman Chair in Cardiovascular Surgery. The Chair supports initiatives in teaching, innovation and clinical evaluation. The Goldman Chair was created to address the changing face of cardiovascular surgery, to train surgeons who are adept at leading edge procedures and attract the best international talent in the field.

Dr. Goldman was also the recent recipient of the Sunnybrook Foundation's Rose Award for his outstanding service in support of Sunnybrook's philanthropic objectives. Among his many other philanthropic activities, Dr. Goldman played an active role in raising funds for the renovation of the Schulich Heart Centre, currently underway at Sunnybrook. The \$25 million project will create a new, world-class, technologically advanced Schulich Heart Centre.