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WILLIAM WALLACE BARRON, born in the hills of West Virginia, yours now is the awesome responsibility for the welfare of us all. Your profession, politics, is one requiring great personal courage, and the determination to make the decisions you believe to be right, but know to be unpopular. We applaud your willingness to face squarely the many problems confronting our State, and we are pleased by your support of the public education so needed by our people in their efforts to claim their rightful places in the Nation's economy by working to translate our State's great economic potential into real economic achievements. The graduates before you have passed their tests for the degrees that they have received; you, Sir, are before them now because you have passed the test of a politician, and because of our confidence that you also will pass the test of a statesman. As you begin your first year as our Governor, Concord College is pleased to have this opportunity to join other colleges and universities in honoring the Chief Executive of our State at this commencement season by conferring upon you our degree of Doctor of Laws.

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Joseph Franklin Marsh, Jr.
President