Dear Friends and Colleagues,

It is with great pleasure that the Department of Chemistry of the University of Cincinnati invites you to attend the dedication and celebration of the Oesper Collections in the History of Chemistry as an American Chemical Society National Historic Chemical Landmark.

As detailed in the attached invitation, the dedication and celebration of this national, prestigious honor will be held on **Tuesday, March 15** in **Room 502 of Rieveschl Hall**, University of Cincinnati from 7:00-9:00 pm. Following a brief talk on "The Legacy of Professor Ralph E. Oesper" by Professor and Curator William B. Jensen, remarks by 2022 ACS President Angela K. Wilson and the presentation of the commemorative plaque, refreshments will be served in Room 518 Rieveschl and open house tours of the Oesper Museum, Rare Book and Print Collections will be conducted. The event is open to the public.

This unique, historic event for the University of Cincinnati and the Department of Chemistry honors one of the most significant collections of artifacts, books, prints and photographs in the Midwest relating to the History of Chemistry.

We sincerely hope that you can attend the celebration and are very grateful for your generous support of the Department of Chemistry. Please **RSVP to** <u>https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/63BJC22</u> **by Monday, February 28,** for refreshment planning purposes. Individuals parking in the Clifton Court garage and plaza will receive a free parking pass (take a parking ticket as you enter the garage – passes to leave the garage will be provided during the event).

To learn more about the Oesper Museum Collections, feel free to explore the holdings at <a href="https://digital.libraries.uc.edu/oesper/museum/">https://digital.libraries.uc.edu/oesper/museum/</a>.

We look forward to celebrating with you on the occasion of this American Chemical Society National Historic Chemical Landmark designation in the Department of Chemistry.

Sincerely yours, Anna Gudmundsdottir, Professor and Interim Head Department of Chemistry