



June 6, 2012

Dear Michele:

Congratulations! The Minnesota Section is being recognized as a 2011-2012 Section of Excellence. This recognition symbolizes your section's commitment to IFT, your section members, and the food science and technology profession.

The Minnesota Section is a vibrant community of dedicated professionals that embody the spirit of IFT. The events you hold throughout the year, your exemplary volunteers, your dedication to students, and your excellence in leadership demonstrate your ongoing devotion to ensuring that your section will flourish for years to come.

In order to be recognized as an IFT Section of Excellence, the section must meet or exceed several criteria. They include the following: the section Annual Report and Financial Report are submitted by the deadline, membership exhibits stability or growth, at least three meetings are held in the year, the section website/newsletter is up-to-date, and the section demonstrates their commitment to future generations of food scientists and their community.

Shortly you will be receiving via e-mail a Section of Excellence logo to add to your website and/or newsletter. The Minnesota Section is one of fifteen sections being honored as a Section of Excellence. We ask that you proudly display the logo on your website's home page or on the front page of your newsletter.

Again, our heartfelt congratulations for this achievement go to you, your leadership, and your section members. Keep up the good work!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Sharon H. Kneebone'.

Sharon H. Kneebone, IOM, CAE
Director of Membership

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Erin F. Carter'.

Erin F. Carter
Section Champion