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## Seycove Secondary high school student Marley Beckett selected as the first ever John Evans Engineering Entrance Award Winner

(Renfrew, Ontario): Marley Beckett dreamt of becoming a scientist but her parents encouraged her to immerse herself in the field of engineering due to her aptitude for math and science. The Foundation is proud to announce that Ms. Beckett, a high school student at Seycove Secondary in North Vancouver, is the successful recipient of our first John Evans Engineering Entrance award.

John Evans, P.Eng was a Director and Vice-President of the Foundation, a committed supporter of women in engineering and a CEMF scholarship judge. His legacy included a donation for an award to be made to a young Canadian woman entering an accredited engineering program in Canada from high school and it is not based on academic achievement.

Marley has recently become involved with Carbon Engineering, a private company that acquires carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and transforms it into ultra-low carbon fuel. This has helped her discover that engineers have the power to develop solutions that positively change the world.

Ms. Beckett is most proud of her involvement with Sole Girls, an empowerment program for girls aged 8 through 12 whose mandate is to reach girls at an impressionable age, helping them to successfully transition into their teenage years using physical activity and group discussion.

Outside of engineering, Marley also enjoys competitive running, she says that running is a sport that gives back whatever you put into it, much like an engineering degree.

Since 1990, the Foundation has been promoting engineering as a career choice for young Canadian women through its extensive scholarship program, a website that attracts thousands

of new visitors a month, social media programming, and scholarship winner presentations to high school students.

"It is heartening to see so many qualified and capable applicants. This makes our job to choose just one, very hard. Ms Beckett is a worthy award winner and we look forward to watching her continue to help connect Canadians, through her passionate volunteerism, with our vast and beautiful environment," says Julie Lassonde, CEMF President. "We're delighted to see that enthusiasm carried through into engineering, and are thrilled to be supporting her in her future endeavours."

Marley will receive her scholarship certificate at the CEMF *Awards Dinner* in Ottawa, Ontario in September.

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