

## In Memory of Jared Cohon



The Pittsburgh region has lost a remarkable leader and scholar with the passing of Dr. Jared Cohon. Jerry was a valued member of The Heinz Endowments board with an enduring commitment to our mission. The Heinz Endowments' board members and staff are deeply saddened by his passing. Our hearts go out to his family and many, many friends.

Jerry was known in Pittsburgh and beyond for his brilliance, humility and integrity. As president of Carnegie Mellon University, he initiated policy and program advances that led to major growth of the tech sector regionally and the expansion of the university's degree programs internationally. He also applied his expertise in environmental and water resource systems to address water challenges in the United States and abroad.

After retirement, Jerry was active locally and nationally with various organizations and boards. We are thankful and fortunate that one of those commitments was to The Heinz Endowments. He joined the Endowments board in 2013, and his focus on improving the lives of residents in the community and his wealth of knowledge on a range of issues were vital to the direction our board has taken on foundation programs and initiatives. We will miss his thoughtful analyses and the selfless, generous spirit that benefited us all.

André Heinz  
Board Chairman  
The Heinz Endowments

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