I. Intent

A. This is a career award to recognize those who have dedicated many years to laboratory animal science.
B. The award should consist of an approximately 9"x12" plaque, procured and provided by the District 5 Trustees, with the following wording:

DISTRICT 5 AALAS, INC.
YEAR
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
NAME OF RECIPIENT
BRANCH

II. Eligibility

A. The nominee should have at least 15 years of significant, consistent dedication to, and focus on laboratory animal science and the AALAS organization.
B. If no nominee is deemed sufficiently qualified by the judges, no award will be given.

III. Criteria: (ranked in descending order of importance)

A. Distinguished and lengthy career in laboratory animal science. (20 Points)
B. Considerable contribution to AALAS, especially at district and national levels. (15 Points)
C. Past or present participation in District 5 AALAS. (15 Points)

IV. Nomination packet format

(Nominations must be sent to the Senior Trustee, received by the date as determined by the Senior Trustee with consultation of the meeting Awards Chair of each year. Submissions must be received as an e-mail attachment or FAX.)

A. Nomination document addressing how the nominee fits the criteria listed above must not exceed five pages, double-spaced. (10 Points)
B. Letters of endorsement, limited to three pages each. Total number of letters of endorsement - at least four and no more than ten (as per the Griffin and Garvey awards). (10 Points)
C. Required letters include:
   1. Letter from the branch nominating the person. (10 Points)
   2. Letter of support from staff, coworkers, or peers, which may have multiple signatures. (10 Points)
   3. Letter of support from any other applicable source. (10 Points)