**VOTE OF THANKS**

**At the 23rd Annual Award of Postgraduate Scholarship of the S.O. Awokoya Foundation for Science Education March 20th 2018- Muson Center**

**BY- DR. FOLA AWOKOYA**

**Mr. Chairman, His Royal Majesty Oba Adeyeye Enitan Ogunwusi**

**Our Special Guest of Honour , Senator Professor Olusola Adeyeye**

**Our Guest Speaker Professor Kehinde Olayinka**

**Our distinguished Honourees Dr.(Engr.) Gregory Ero**

**Chief Olabintan Famutimi**

**and**

**Dame Winifred Akpani**

**Chairman and Members of the Board of Trustees**

**Distinguished Ladies and Gentlemen**

**This year marks a significant milestone for the Awokoya Foundation in that it is the first time in its existence that we are having a former awardee rise-up within the academia, to a position of nominating candidates for the Awokoya Foundation post-graduate scholarship award.**

**As I mentioned earlier, a 1998 awardee of the Foundation for a Ph.D. program in Pharmacy has nominated a 2018 awardee for a post-graduate study also in Pharmacy.**

**This is akin to a generational propagation as it were.**

**We hope that with this milestone, the Foundation has created**

**A self-sustaining model that will ensure its propagation.**

**I recall about 17 years ago, about 5years into the existence of the Foundation, a friend of mine mentioned that a lot of Foundations setup in honour of individuals, usually close-up within the first few years, and he wondered how The Awokoya Foundation will sustain its existence.**

**That was 17years ago.**

**With the Foundation’s objective of promoting excellence in science Education, we have a motherhood statement of objective, which no one can be against. The alternatives would indifference to excellence or promoting of mediocrity.**

**Promoting excellence in science education is bound to improve society at large.**

**The Foundation has waxed stronger and gained sustenance from support from people like;**

**The Chairman of this occasion,Our Special Guest of Honour,Our Guest Lecturer**

**Our Honourees,and also our distinguished guests who have been present at our activities over the years.**

**I cannot fail to mention the efforts expended by the Chairman and members of the Board of Trustees of the Foundation who have dexterously navigated the course of the Foundation over its 23years of existence .**

**Ladies and gentlemen I thank you all on behalf of the Board of Trustees of the S.O. Awokoya Foundation For Science Education**

**Thank you.**

**Dr. Fola O. Awokoya Ph.D.(Engr.),Member, Board of Trustees,**