

RESOLUTION

Whereas, Eastern Michigan University, as a state institution of learning, focuses on building a community of learners that desires to be inclusive and accessible for all citizen scholars and guests, and

Whereas, as a university, we welcome the opportunity to create an environment that values and appreciates the talents, skills, and perspectives of every student, including students with disabilities, to help each student fulfill their educational aspirations, and

Whereas, Eastern Michigan University has many facilities and services to offer to all students, faculty, staff and guests, including individuals with disabilities, as each person pursues personal, academic and professional goals, and

Whereas, as a community of higher education, we believe that we need to continue to improve our awareness of the abilities and disabilities of our citizens and their potential and demonstrated contributions to society,

Now, therefore, be it resolved, that Eastern Michigan University hereby declares October 19 through October 25, 2009 Disabilities Awareness Week, and we urge all members of our University community and external constituents to help support Disabilities Awareness Week by attending the University's planned activities across campus and by embracing the principles of accessibility and inclusion.