RESOLUTION

Recognition of Dr. Sally Burton-Hoyle

WHEREAS, Dr. Sally Burton-Hoyle, Associate Professor of Special Education in the College of Education where she began teaching in 2006, has focused her life and career on improving the education of people with autism and other challenging behaviors; and,

WHEREAS, having been involved with the Autism Collaborative Center (ACC) since its inception, Dr. Burton-Hoyle serves as area coordinator of the Masters of Autism Spectrum Disorders program at Eastern Michigan University, and was Executive Director of the Autism Society of Michigan; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Burton-Hoyle was selected by Kathleen Sebelius, the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services, and endorsed by Congressman John Dingell, to serve on the federal Interagency Autism Coordinating Committee, which is a federal advisory committee established by the Combating Autism Act of 2006 and reauthorized by the Combating Autism Reauthorization Act of 2011, charged with coordinating all efforts within HHS concerning autism spectrum disorder (ASD), developing and annually updating a strategic plan for ASD, and providing advice to the Secretary on matters related to ASD; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Burton-Hoyle is one of only fifteen (15) members of the public to be appointed to the committee, where she will serve with noted physicians, philanthropists, and federal agency executives, and will proudly represent Eastern Michigan University and its efforts in the field of special education.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents expresses its great appreciation to Dr. Sally Burton-Hoyle for her many years of dedication to special education and persons on the autism spectrum, such that she has earned national recognition for her work and for Eastern Michigan University.

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