RESOLUTION

Recognizing Cultural Heritage Months at Eastern Michigan University

Whereas, Eastern Michigan University recognizes that respect for cultural differences is important, and seeks to demonstrate an appreciation of human diversity by providing an atmosphere of mutual respect; and,

Whereas, Eastern was cited for its commitment to campus diversity in the annual "America's Best Colleges" published by U.S. News and World Report; was given the designation of "Best Midwestern College" by The Princeton Review for the tenth consecutive year; and, was recognized by Diverse Issues in Higher Education for the ninth consecutive year for its growing number of African American graduates; and,

Whereas, African-American, Arab-American, Asian/Pacific-Islander American, Latino-American and Native-American people have all distinguished themselves, have made significant contributions to the history of the state of Michigan and to the United States, and continue to enrich our nation intellectually, socially and culturally; and,

Whereas, September 15 through October 15 has been established as National Hispanic Heritage Month, and celebrated at Eastern as Latino Heritage Month; and,

Whereas, the month of November has historically been designated as National Native-American History Month; and,

Whereas, the month of February has been established as Black History Month; and,

Whereas, the month of May has been recognized nationally as Asian/Pacific-Islander Heritage Month, and is celebrated at Eastern in the month of March; and,

Whereas, the month of April has been designated National Arab-American Heritage Month; and,

Whereas, Eastern Michigan University recognizes the contributions and achievements of these cultures by celebrating with educational, social and cultural programs.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents calls upon the campus community to join the President of the United States, the Governor of the great State of Michigan and communities across the Nation in recognizing the many contributions of these cultures by honoring these observances and by dedication to the pursuit of equality.