

Recognition of the EMU Forensics Team

WHEREAS, the Eastern Michigan University Forensic Team finished fourth in the nation in Team Sweepstakes out of 79 schools at the National Forensic Association's National Championship Tournament; and,

WHEREAS, senior Karen Bagoumian was named the National Champion of Prose Interpretation out of 234 contestants and was named 14th overall in Pentathlon; and,

WHEREAS, junior Casey Sabella was third in the nation in Rhetorical Criticism, senior Spencer Belko was fourth in the nation in Persuasive Speaking, and junior Sami White was fifth in the nation in After-Dinner Speaking; and,

WHEREAS, since the Forensic Team's first national champion, Judy Sturgis Hill, won championships in After Dinner Speaking and Oratory in 1972, 70 EMU students have won national championships in forensics; and,

WHEREAS, since 1973, the Eastern Michigan University Forensic Team has won 11 national team championships and has consistently placed in the top 10 schools at the National Forensic Association's Championship Tournament.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents congratulates the EMU Forensics Team, Director of Individual Events Nick Romerhausen, Director of Debate Raymond Quiel, and Assistant Directors Amy Johnson and Arthur Valenzuela III for continuing the tradition of success and commends them for the honor they have brought to themselves as well as to Eastern Michigan University.

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