

## **Recognition of the Susan W. Martin**

WHEREAS, Dr. Susan W. Martin has served with distinction and dedication as President of Eastern Michigan University from July 7, 2008 through July 7, 2015, and was Eastern's first female president in its 166-year history; and,

WHEREAS, during her tenure she established a strong leadership team that achieved record-breaking enrollment growth, while keeping education accessible and affordable with tuition restraint and financial aid growth of 100 percent; and,

WHEREAS, under Dr. Martin's leadership more than \$200 million of capital improvements to living and learning spaces were completed, safety and security strategies were expanded, high-demand academic programs were launched, the Honors College's enrollment doubled, and the academic profile of Eastern's student body was raised; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin built strong community partnerships with local governments, economic agencies and community organizations, helped establish the Eastern Washtenaw Safety Alliance to increase collaboration among public safety entities in the surrounding area, and successfully led the \$50 million "Invest. Inspire." comprehensive fundraising campaign; and,

WHEREAS, being an active supporter of students, athletics and alumni, she often could be found on the sidelines leading the cheering, in the audience applauding at University events, or traversing campus on her bicycle to talk with students; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin established a solid culture of professionalism by working closely with students, faculty, staff, alumni and supporters to further build on Eastern Michigan University's legacy of producing tomorrow's leaders, executives, professionals, problem-solvers and entrepreneurs.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents expresses its great appreciation to Susan W. Martin for her distinguished service and dedication as President of Eastern Michigan University.

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