

RESOLUTION

Recognition of the 50th Anniversary of Washtenaw Community College

WHEREAS, Eastern Michigan University congratulates Washtenaw Community College as they celebrate their 50th Anniversary of opening doors of opportunity for students, future leaders and our community; and,

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents of Eastern Michigan University recognizes the outstanding leadership of former WCC Presidents David Ponitz, Gunder Myran, Larry Whitworth and current President Dr. Rose Bellanca for extraordinary commitment of time, energy and dedication to the mission of WCC; and,

WHEREAS, hosting more than 3,000 community, business and industry events last year, WCC continues to support commerce in the greater Ypsilanti/Ann Arbor area; and,

WHEREAS, since the founding of WCC, EMU and WCC have consistently been collaborators and partners in educational programming for five decades; and,

WHEREAS, with more than 27 percent of Eastern's transfer students first building a strong foundation for learning at WCC, and with 31 articulation agreements in place, together we continue to expand opportunities for today's college students; and,

WHEREAS, Washtenaw Community College and Eastern Michigan University have collaborated to address the growing demand for bachelor's degree prepared nurses by launching the EMU-WCC Collaborative ADN/BSN Nursing Program.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents hereby congratulates Washtenaw Community College as they celebrate their 50th Anniversary and commends President Rose Bellanca and the WCC Board of Trustees for outstanding educational leadership, and sincerely thanks them for their dedication and commitment to our community.

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