

**RESOLUTION**

**Recognition of the EMU Forensics Team**

WHEREAS, Eastern Michigan University's Forensics Team finished 5th in the nation out of 86 schools at the National Forensic Association's National Championship; and,

WHEREAS, 21 members of the team qualified 80 speeches/performances for the national tournament, with 11 speeches/performances advancing to the quarter finals; and,

WHEREAS, junior Sami White was named the National Champion in After Dinner Speaking, finishing first out of 234 contestants; and,

WHEREAS, since 1972, when Judy Sturgis Hill became Eastern's first national champion, to Sami White's championship in 2016, 71 Eastern students have won national championships; and,

WHEREAS, the Eastern Michigan University Forensics Team has won 11 national team championships and has each year placed in the top ten at the national tournament.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents congratulates the Forensics Team, Nick Romerhausen, Raymond Quiel, 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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