

## RESOLUTION

### **Recognition of Dr. Barbara Patrick**

#### **MI-ACE Distinguished Woman in Higher Education Leadership Award Recipient for 2023**

WHEREAS, Dr. Barbara Patrick has been named the 2023 MI-ACE Distinguished Woman in Higher Education Leadership Award recipient for the state of Michigan, an illustrious honor that recognizes outstanding leadership, groundbreaking work on behalf of women, and advocacy for positive change; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Patrick has provided exemplary service during her career, currently serving as a professor and department head in political science, and as founder and current director of EMU's Civil Rights and Social Justice Center; and,

WHEREAS, she has developed a distinctive reputation for bringing people into dialogue, providing clear advocacy for all students, faculty, and staff, with a particular focus on those who identify as women and those from traditionally marginalized groups; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Patrick's expertise in social science, gender, race, and public policy has been widely recognized, as she serves as an expert commentator and facilitator in media outlets and in more than 80 professional venues, offering an extensive breadth and depth of commitment that inspire many; and,

WHEREAS, she is an extraordinary leader across campus, and in local communities, Metro Detroit, and the state, establishing collaborative networks, developing reciprocal relationships, and nurturing integral ties among students, faculty, communities, and regional universities; and,

WHEREAS, Dr. Patrick is truly a force for the public good, evident through her service as a mentor, student advocate, prolific scholar, and accessible teacher.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Eastern Michigan University Board of Regents congratulates Dr. Barbara Patrick for her service as an outstanding leader and role model in women's leadership, gender equity, and inclusion and hereby commends her as the *EMU MI-ACE Distinguished Woman in Higher Education Leadership Award Recipient* and the *State of Michigan MI-ACE Distinguished Woman in Higher Education Leadership Award Recipient for 2023*.

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