

1995

## **Winter Ceremonial Script, December 17, 1995**

Eastern Michigan University

**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY COMMENCEMENT**  
**Sunday, December 17, 1995**  
**Bowen Field House**

Assemble by 1:30 p.m./Procession begins at 1:45 p.m./Program begins at 2:00 p.m.

President:	William E. Shelton
Grand Marshal:	John Novak
Marshals of Faculty:	Margaret Crouch, Monroe Friedman
Marshals of Graduates:	Charles Anderson, P. George Bird, Thomas Murray, Michael Paciorek, Erik Pedersen, Sharon Pendleton, Kathleen Stacey, Stewart Work
Speaker and Honorary Degree Recipient:	W. Donald Briggs
Music:	The EMU Symphonic Concert Winds, Max Plank, Conductor

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**DOORS TO BOWEN FIELD HOUSE WILL OPEN AT 12:45 P.M.**

**FACULTY** enter by the Southeast door of Warner (ground floor), assemble in Rooms 117, 119 and form the line for the procession at 1:30 p.m. in the adjacent hallway.

**BACHELOR'S DEGREE STUDENTS** enter by the South door of Warner, street level and assemble in Warner Gymnasiums A and B.

**HONORS STUDENTS** enter by the Southeast door of Warner, assemble in Room 111.

**GRADUATE CERTIFICATE, MASTER'S, SPECIALIST'S AND DOCTORATE DEGREE STUDENTS** enter by the Northeast door of Warner and assemble in the Dance Studio and Wrestling Room.

**CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION, IN ACADEMIC DRESS, WILL FORM A LINE AT 1:30 P.M.**

**PLATFORM PARTICIPANTS** (Regents, Cabinet, etc.) assemble in Room 241 Warner (use front entrance to Warner).

Handicapped seating is available in Bowen. Please call 487-3200 for information.

Public parking is available in the parking structure and all University lots except the Bowen Lot.

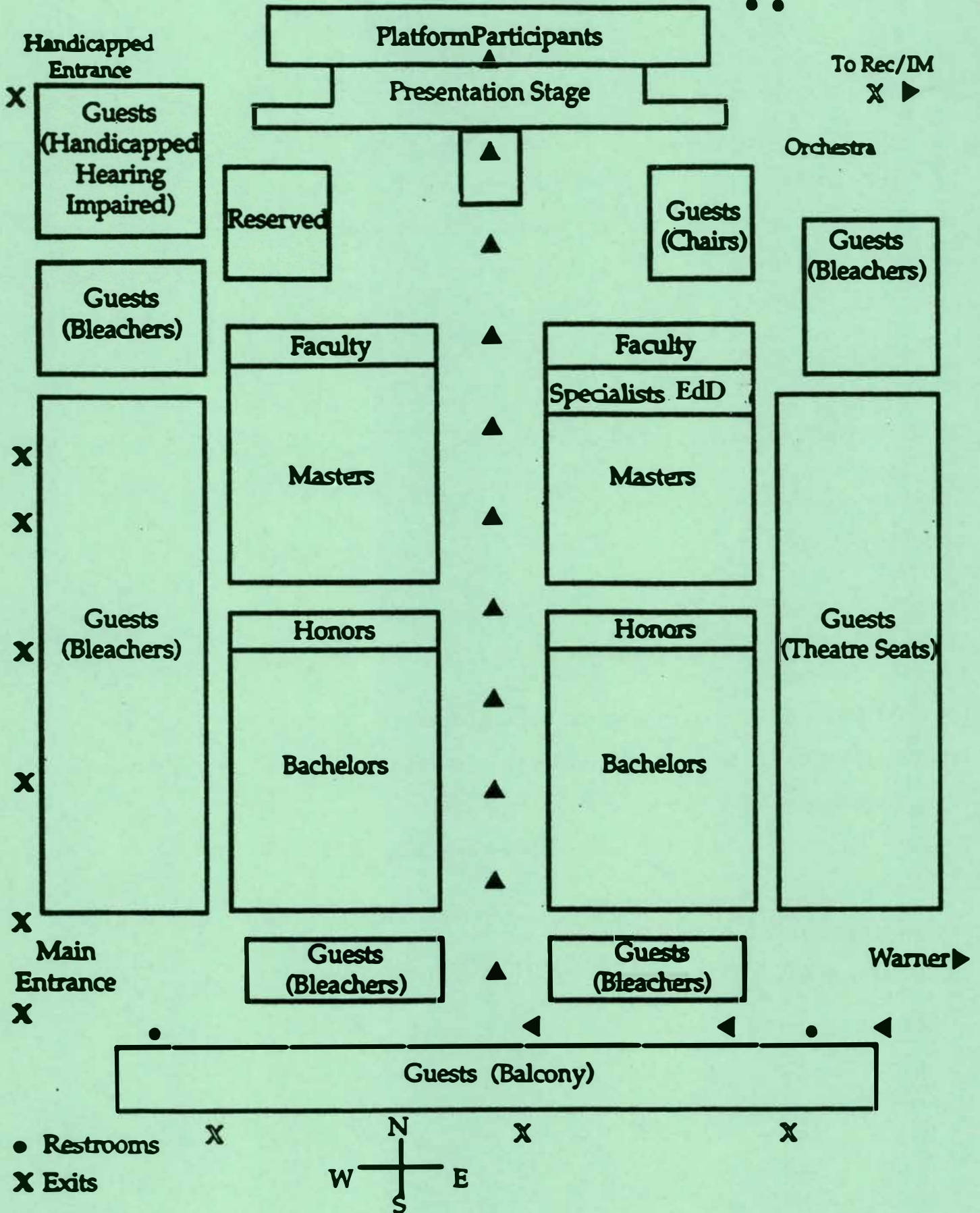
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Questions regarding student records pertaining to graduation should be directed to Graduation Audit, 487-4203 (undergraduates) and Graduate School, 487-0093 (graduates).

**ALL GUESTS MUST HAVE A TICKET TO BE ADMITTED. GRADUATES ARE ENTITLED TO FOUR (4) TICKETS. EXTRA TICKETS MAY BE AVAILABLE DECEMBER 14 - 15, 1995.**

# Eastern Michigan University Bowen Field House

X X X



Handicapped Entrance

Platform Participants

To Rec/IM

X  
Guests (Handicapped Hearing Impaired)

Presentation Stage

X ▶

Reserved



Orchestra

Guests (Chairs)

Guests (Bleachers)

Guests (Bleachers)

Faculty  
Masters



Faculty  
Specialists EdD  
Masters



X

X



X

Guests (Bleachers)

Honors  
Bachelors



Honors  
Bachelors

Guests (Theatre Seats)

X

Main Entrance

Guests (Bleachers)



Guests (Bleachers)

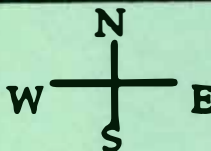
Warner ▶

X

Guests (Balcony)

• Restrooms

X



X

X

X Exits

**COMMENCEMENT**  
**Sunday, December 17, 1995 Processional at 1:45 p.m.**  
**PROCESSIONAL**

		Novak (Mace)	Right-Row 2
		-Color Guard-	
		Student Marshals	
Main Floor	Anderson	Bird	Main Floor
	Murray	Paciorek	
	Pedersen	Pendleton	
	Stacey	Work	
	EdD (Ross)	Dissertation Chair (Schmitt)	
		Specialist's	
		Graduate Certificates	
		Master's	
		Bachelor's	
		Faculty Marshals	
Main Floor	Crouch	Friedman	Main Floor
Main Floor	Faculty		Main Floor
		Fish	Right-Row 3
		Tubbs	Right-Row 3
		Robbins	Right-Row 3
		King	Right-Row 3
		Harden	Right-Row 3
Right-Front	J. Pluta	White	Left-Row 2
Right-Row 3	McKelvey	Boone	Left-Row 2
Right-Row 2	Bennion	Goldenberg	Left-Row 2
Right-Row 2	Clifford	Colaianne	Left-Row 2
Right-Row 2	Tammany	Riccinto	Left-Row 2
Left-Row 3	Beagen	Cline	Left-Row 3
Left-Row 3	Hubbard	McCracken	Left-Row 3
Left-Row 3	Smith-Meyer	Watson	Left-Row 3
Right-Row 2		Reid - Seal	
Left-Row 1		Doyle - Keys	
Right-Row 1		McAnuff - Colors	
Left-Row 1		Collins - Book	
Right-Row 1	Pursell	Derezinski	Left-Row 1
Right-Row 1	DeMattia	Letica	Left-Row 1
Right-Row 1		Clifton	
		Briggs	Left-Row 1
		Shelton	Left-Row 1

"Right" means **Stage Right**, "Left" means **Stage Left**.



WINTER COMMENCEMENT  
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STAGE SEATING CHART

Bowen Field House

Mace Table

\* Pluta (signer)

	Row 1	Row 2	Row 3
			* McKelvey
	* McAnuff	* Novak	* Harden
	* Letica	* Tammany	* King
<b>STAGE RIGHT</b>	* Pursell	* Bennion	* Robbins
	* DeMattia	* Clifford	* Tubbs
	* Clifton	* Reid	* Fish
Lectern			
	* Shelton	* Riccinto	* Beagen
	* Briggs	* Colaianne	* Cline
	* Derezinski	* Goldenberg	* Hubbard
<b>STAGE LEFT</b>	* Collins	* Boone	* McCracken
	* Doyle	* White	* Smith-Meyer
			* Watson
	Row 1	Row 2	Row 3

**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY  
COMMENCEMENT SCRIPT  
Sunday, December 17, 1995  
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1:45 p.m. PROCESSIONAL  
(University Symphonic Concert Winds)

GRAND MARSHAL JOHN NOVAK enters center aisle, ascends stage, turns left and remains standing beside the table at the front holding the mace. When the procession is over, the Grand Marshal places the mace on the table, goes to his chair and remains standing.

COLOR GUARD enter center aisle, ascend stage, split and post flags.

PLATFORM PARTICIPANTS enter center aisle, ascend stage and remain standing in front of their chairs. PRESIDENT SHELTON enters and assumes the lectern.

PRESIDENT SHELTON: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS, DISTINGUISHED

FACULTY, GRADUATES, PARENTS, FAMILIES AND FRIENDS, WELCOME TO

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY'S 1995 WINTER COMMENCEMENT. (Pause)

PLEASE JOIN LEONARD RICCINTO, PROFESSOR OF MUSIC, IN SINGING OUR

NATIONAL ANTHEM. WE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE UNIVERSITY

SYMPHONIC CONCERT WINDS, CONDUCTED BY MAX PLANK.

(Men remove caps. Professor Riccinto assumes the lectern. Colors are dipped during the National Anthem.)

PROFESSOR RICCINTO: (National Anthem)

(Remain standing. Professor Riccinto returns to his chair and remains standing.

President Shelton assumes the lectern.)

PRESIDENT SHELTON: PLEASE BE SEATED. I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO INTRODUCE THE DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF OUR BOARD OF REGENTS ON WHOSE AUTHORITY DEGREES ARE GRANTED. PLEASE HOLD YOUR APPLAUSE UNTIL THEY ALL HAVE BEEN INTRODUCED.

(Regents, rise as your name is called.)

JAMES CLIFTON OF YPSILANTI

ROBERT DE MATTIA OF PLYMOUTH

ANTHONY DEREZINSKI OF ANN ARBOR

MARA LETICA OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS

CARL PURSELL OF PLYMOUTH

(Regents, please be seated.)

I WOULD NOW LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE CABINET MEMBERS, ACADEMIC OFFICERS, DEANS AND AN E.M.U. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATIVE. PLEASE STAND.

(Cabinet Members, Officers, Deans, and Alumni Representative please stand briefly.)

LEADING OUR PROCESSION TODAY IS GRAND MARSHAL JOHN NOVAK.

(Dr. Novak stands.) DR. NOVAK IS AN ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR IN THE BIOLOGY DEPARTMENT AND PRESENTLY HOLDS THE OFFICE OF PRESIDENT OF THE FACULTY COUNCIL. (Dr. Novak sits down.)

PRESIDENT SHELTON: OUR FACULTY MARSHALS ARE MARGARET CROUCH, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY AND MONROE FRIEDMAN, PROFESSOR OF PSYCHOLOGY.

(Faculty marshals rise and sit down as their names are called.)

FACULTY SERVING AS STUDENT MARSHALS ARE CHARLES ANDERSON, PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF CHEMISTRY; P. GEORGE BIRD, PROFESSOR OF COMMUNICATION AND THEATRE ARTS; THOMAS MURRAY, PROFESSOR OF COMMUNICATION AND THEATRE ARTS; MICHAEL PACIOREK, PROFESSOR OF HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, RECREATION AND DANCE; ERIK PEDERSEN, PROFESSOR OF HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, RECREATION AND DANCE; SHARON PENDLETON, INSTRUCTOR OF HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, RECREATION AND DANCE, KATHLEEN STACEY, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF COMMUNICATION AND THEATRE ARTS; AND STEWART WORK, PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY.

(Marshals rise and sit down as their names are called.)

I WOULD LIKE TO MENTION THAT PROFESSOR BIRD HOLDS THE UNIQUE DISTINCTION OF SERVING EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY LONGER THAN ANY OTHER CURRENT FACULTY MEMBER -- FORTY YEARS. PLEASE JOIN ME IN CONGRATULATING PROFESSOR BIRD AND EXPRESSING OUR APPRECIATION FOR FORTY YEARS OF COUNTLESS CONTRIBUTIONS (pause).

REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENTS OF COMMUNICATION AND THEATRE ARTS AND FOREIGN LANGUAGES AND BILINGUAL STUDIES ARE THE FACULTY



PRESIDENT SHELTON: MEMBERS WHO WILL BE PERFORMING POSSIBLY THE MOST DIFFICULT JOB TODAY --- THE READING OF OUR GRADUATES' NAMES AS THEY ARE PRESENTED.

(Readers rise and sit down.)

SEATED BEFORE YOU ARE THE MEMBERS OF OUR FACULTY WHO REPRESENT THE ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY ON WHOSE RECOMMENDATION CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES ARE PRESENTED. FACULTY MEMBERS, PLEASE RISE AND BE RECOGNIZED.

(Faculty rise and sit down.)

AND FINALLY, I WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE MR. JEFFREY PLUTA WHO WILL SERVE AS A SIGNER FOR OUR HEARING IMPAIRED GUESTS. (Mr. Pluta stands and is seated.)

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY IS AN OUTSTANDING INSTITUTION WHOSE ROOTS DATE BACK TO 1849, WHEN THE STATE LEGISLATURE DESIGNATED IT AS MICHIGAN'S FIRST INSTITUTION TO EDUCATE TEACHERS TO SERVE THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS. EASTERN MICHIGAN EVOLVED OVER THE YEARS INTO A COMPREHENSIVE, DOCTORAL-GRANTING UNIVERSITY, ADAPTING AND DEVELOPING ACADEMIC PROGRAMS TO MEET THE EVER-CHANGING AND EXPANDING NEEDS OF OUR STUDENTS AND THE WORLD AROUND US.

EASTERN IS NOW RECOGNIZED FOR OUTSTANDING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND FOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF FACULTY, STUDENTS AND

PRESIDENT SHELTON: ALUMNI WORLD-WIDE.

THE UNIVERSITY IS COMPRISED OF FIVE ACADEMIC COLLEGES: ARTS AND SCIENCES, BUSINESS, EDUCATION, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, AND TECHNOLOGY. TODAY WE HAVE COME TOGETHER TO SALUTE THE STUDENTS GRADUATING FROM THESE DISCIPLINES. THE ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS AT EASTERN STRIVE TO FULFILL THE UNIVERSITY'S MISSION TO PROMOTE AN EXCEPTIONAL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT, EXPAND KNOWLEDGE THROUGH RESEARCH AND TEACHING, AND EXHIBIT LEADERSHIP THROUGH PUBLIC SERVICE.

ALTHOUGH WIDE RANGING IN CONTENT, ALL DEPARTMENTS SHARE COMMON GOALS TO DEVELOP PROBLEM SOLVING, EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION AND INDEPENDENT THINKING SKILLS AMONG ALL STUDENTS AND PROVIDE THEM WITH SUPERIOR PREPARATION FOR REWARDING CAREERS.

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY SALUTES THE MEMBERS OF THE GRADUATING CLASS GATHERED HERE TODAY, AND COMMENDS THE DEDICATION OF STUDENTS AND FACULTY TO THE PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE IN HIGHER EDUCATION. (Pause)

WE ARE HONORED TO SHARE THIS DAY WITH OUR ESTEEMED GUEST SPEAKER, EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR EMERITUS, WILLIAM DONALD BRIGGS.

PRESIDENT SHELTON: DR. BRIGGS BEGAN HIS TEACHING CAREER AT

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY IN 1964 AS AN INSTRUCTOR IN WHAT IS NOW THE HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY DEPARTMENT. BY THE TIME HE ACHIEVED THE RANK OF FULL PROFESSOR IN 1983, HE HAD ESTABLISHED A REPUTATION AS ONE OF THE MOST WIDELY PRAISED TEACHERS IN HIS DEPARTMENT AND THE UNIVERSITY. HE BELIEVED THAT AN EFFECTIVE TEACHER WAS ONE WHO REMAINED CURRENT IN SCHOLARLY ACTIVITIES AND RESEARCH, PREPARED WELL FOR ALL CLASSES, GAVE STUDENTS THE OPPORTUNITY TO POSE QUESTIONS -- EVEN IN LARGE LECTURES, AND PRESENTED MATERIALS IN A CHALLENGING AND EXCITING MANNER. BY THESE STANDARDS, DON BRIGGS WAS AN EXTREMELY EFFECTIVE TEACHER. DR. BRIGGS WAS A KNOWLEDGEABLE, GIFTED, AND ENTERTAINING TEACHER OF EUROPEAN HISTORY WHO WAS NOT AFRAID TO TRY INNOVATIVE WAYS TO ENHANCE THE TEACHING-LEARNING PROCESS. TWO PARTICULAR TEACHING METHODS OF HIS INCLUDED DRAMATIC AND RISK-TAKING PORTRAYALS OF HISTORICAL FIGURES, AND USING A T.V. GAME SHOW FORMAT TO PRESENT QUIZZES.

IN ADDITION TO HIS FULL-TIME TEACHING RESPONSIBILITIES, DR. BRIGGS HAS CONDUCTED RESEARCH, PRESENTED PAPERS AT MEETINGS OF PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS IN HIS ACADEMIC AREA, AND HAS BEEN A GUEST LECTURER AT A NUMBER OF UNIVERSITIES AND ORGANIZATIONS. HE HAS HELD MEMBERSHIPS IN THE ACADEMY OF POLITICAL SCIENCE,

PRESIDENT SHELTON: THE AMERICAN HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, THE AMERICAN FILM INSTITUTE, THE SOCIETY FOR ITALIAN HISTORICAL STUDIES, THE MICHIGAN ACADEMY OF SCIENCE, ARTS, AND LETTERS, AND PHI KAPPA PHI. HIS RECORD OF SERVICE IS ALSO MOST IMPRESSIVE. AS AN ACTIVE PARTICIPANT IN THE GOVERNANCE OF HIS DEPARTMENT, DR. BRIGGS SERVED ON AT LEAST SEVEN COMMITTEES AND FOR TWO YEARS SERVED AS THE DEPARTMENT'S UNDERGRADUATE COORDINATOR. AT THE UNIVERSITY LEVEL, DR. BRIGGS HAS SERVED ON NEARLY A DOZEN COMMITTEES OR COMMISSIONS. HE SERVED A TERM AS PRESIDENT OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY'S FACULTY COUNCIL, CHAIR OF THE TASK FORCE ON INTERCOLLEGIATE AND INTRAMURAL ATHLETICS, PRESIDENTIAL COMMISSION OF THE FUTURE OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY, CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL ON INSTRUCTION FOR THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES, CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE FUTURE OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES, MEMBER OF THE ACADEMIC CEREMONIES COMMITTEE, MEMBER OF THE MINORITY FACULTY RECRUITMENT COMMITTEE, AND MEMBER OF THE PRESIDENTIAL SELECTION COMMITTEE. HIS HARD WORK AND DEDICATION TO THE ACADEMIC HONORARY SOCIETY OF PHI KAPPA PHI CONTRIBUTED GREATLY TO THE TRADITION OF THE ORGANIZATION ON THE EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY CAMPUS.

PERHAPS THE LEAST WELL-KNOWN ASPECT OF DR. BRIGGS' SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY IS HIS SPECIAL NATURE OF DEVOTION TO EASTERN



PRESIDENT SHELTON: MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY AND HIS TALENT FOR EXPRESSING IT IN AN UNUSUAL WAY. OVER TEN YEARS AGO DON BRIGGS WAS IMPRESSED BY A STATEMENT MADE BY FORMER PRESIDENT JOHN PORTER THAT "...EASTERN IS EXCELLENCE WITHIN THE WORLD COMMUNITY..." HE RESPONDED BY DESIGNING AND PRODUCING, AT HIS OWN EXPENSE, A LARGE GREEN FLAG ON WHICH A WHITE "E" IS ENCLOSED WITHIN A WHITE CIRCLE. HUNDREDS OF THE "CIRCLE OF EXCELLENCE" FLAGS HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO STUDENTS, MEMBERS OF THE UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY, OFFICES, AND BUSINESSES THAT EPITOMIZE EXCELLENCE. DON BRIGGS' CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNIVERSITY OVER THE YEARS WERE ACKNOWLEDGE IN 1987 WHEN HE RECEIVED THE DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AWARD FOR UNIVERSITY SERVICE.

A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA AT LOS ANGELES, DON BRIGGS EARNED A MASTER'S DEGREE AT CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY AT SACRAMENTO AND A DOCTORATE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN. DR. BRIGGS RETIRED WITH PROFESSOR EMERITUS STATUS FROM EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY IN JUNE OF THIS YEAR AND RETURNED WITH HIS WIFE JOAN TO HIS NATIVE STATE OF CALIFORNIA.

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY IS PROUD TO SHARE OUR CELEBRATION OF ACADEMIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS WITH AN INDIVIDUAL WHO FOR OVER THIRTY YEARS CONTRIBUTED GREATLY TO A QUALITY LEARNING ENVIRONMENT THROUGH HIS DEDICATION TO TEACHING, HIS CONCERN FOR



PRESIDENT SHELTON: STUDENTS, AND HIS SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I AM PLEASED TO PRESENT TO YOU OUR  
DISTINGUISHED COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER, PROFESSOR EMERITUS WILLIAM  
DONALD BRIGGS.

(President Shelton is seated. Dr. Briggs assumes the lectern.)

DR. BRIGGS: (Commencement Address)

(Following the Commencement Address, Dr. Briggs returns to his chair. President  
Shelton assumes the lectern.)

PRESIDENT SHELTON: THANK YOU DR. BRIGGS FOR YOUR MOST APPROPRIATE  
MESSAGE. (Pause) IT IS THE TRADITION OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY  
TO BESTOW AN HONORARY DEGREE UPON THOSE PERSONS WHOSE  
CONTRIBUTIONS, MERITORIOUS PUBLIC SERVICE OR OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS  
HAVE BROUGHT THEM THE HIGH ESTEEM OF THEIR COMMUNITIES.

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY IS PROUD TO CONFER UPON WILLIAM  
DONALD BRIGGS THE HONORARY DEGREE DOCTOR OF HUMANITIES. TO  
CONFER THE DEGREE I CALL UPON THE HONORABLE ANTHONY DEREZINSKI.  
REGENT DEREZINSKI WILL BE ASSISTED BY DR. RONALD COLLINS, PROVOST  
AND VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS, AND DR. BARRY FISH, DEAN  
OF THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES.

(President Shelton steps to his left and Regent Derezinski assumes the lectern.)

(Provost Collins picks up the hood from under his chair. Dean Fish picks up the certificate and diploma from under his chair. Both escort Dr. Briggs to a position three feet to the right and one foot back of President Shelton. Dean Fish hands the citation to Regent Derezinski. At the appropriate time, Provost Collins assists with the hooding, Dean Fish hands the diploma to Dr. Briggs.)

REGENT DEREZINSKI: AS AN EDUCATOR YOU SHARED WITH STUDENTS YOUR LOVE OF HISTORY AND A DEDICATION TO EXCELLENCE IN THE TEACHING-LEARNING PROCESS. YOU HAVE BEEN RECOGNIZED FOR YOUR DEVOTION TO STUDENTS AND THE GREAT ENERGY AND INNOVATIVE METHODS YOU HAVE BROUGHT TO THE EDUCATION PROCESS. IN ADDITION TO TEACHING, YOU HAVE GIVEN COUNTLESS HOURS OF SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY. YOU ARE TO BE COMMENDED FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO INFORMING, EDUCATING, AND ENLIGHTENING THE STUDENTS WHO HAVE BENEFITTED GREATLY FROM YOUR SCHOLARLY EFFORTS.

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY, UPON THE RECOMMENDATION AND AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS, IS THUS PROUD TO CONFER UPON WILLIAM DONALD BRIGGS THE HONORARY DEGREE, DOCTOR OF HUMANITIES, WITH ALL THE RIGHTS, PRIVILEGES AND RESPONSIBILITIES PERTAINING THERETO. IN TOKEN THEREOF, I CAUSE YOU TO BE VESTED WITH THE HOOD OF THIS DEGREE AND PRESENT YOU WITH A DIPLOMA AND A CITATION.

(Regent Derezhinski then hands the citation to Dr. Briggs. Dr. Briggs may make a few remarks before returning to his seat. Regent Derezhinski and President Shelton return to their chairs. Provost Collins and Dean Fish escort Dr. Briggs to his chair and Dean Fish and Dr. Briggs are seated. Provost Collins assumes the lectern.)

PROVOST COLLINS: THE DOCTORAL DEGREE PROGRAM IN EDUCATIONAL

LEADERSHIP WAS ACCREDITED BY THE NORTH CENTRAL ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGES AND SCHOOLS IN 1991 AFTER SIGNIFICANT STATEWIDE LOBBYING AND A STRONG COMMITMENT OF INTERNAL SUPPORT BY EASTERN'S ADMINISTRATION AND REGENTS. THIS WAS THE CULMINATION OF YEARS OF PLANNING AND EVALUATION INITIATED BY THEN-PRESIDENT JOHN PORTER AND CONTINUED BY PRESIDENT WILLIAM SHELTON. THE MANY FACULTY, DEANS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS -- SEVERAL NOW ENJOYING RETIREMENT -- ARE TO BE COMMENDED FOR CREATING THIS OUTSTANDING DEGREE PROGRAM. THE STUDENTS CURRENTLY PURSUING THE DOCTORATE ARE OF THE HIGHEST ACADEMIC QUALITY AND ARE ALSO TO BE COMMENDED FOR THEIR HARD WORK TOWARD MAKING THE PROGRAM SUCCESSFUL. THUS, IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT TO YOU EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY'S DOCTOR OF EDUCATION DEGREE CANDIDATE, NORMA ROSS. MS. ROSS IS THE DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY EDUCATION FOR THE CITY OF MADISON HEIGHTS. SHE HAS SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED AND DEFENDED HER DISSERTATION ENTITLED, "LEADERSHIP STYLES OF SCHOOL

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PROVOST COLLINS: SUPERINTENDENTS AND COLLABORATIVE ACTIVITY WITH EXTERNAL PUBLICS." LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, NORMA ROSS. (Pause for applause.) THE DEGREE WILL BE CONFERRED BY PRESIDENT WILLIAM SHELTON AND REGENT JAMES CLIFTON, ASSISTED BY DR. RONALD GOLDENBERG, DEAN OF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL AND DR. DONNA SCHMITT, PROFESSOR IN THE LEADERSHIP AND COUNSELING DEPARTMENT AND CHAIR OF MS. ROSS' DOCTORAL DISSERTATION COMMITTEE.

(Dr. Donna Schmitt escorts Ms. Ross up to the main stage and stands slightly behind her by the lectern on stage right. Ms. Ross stands next to the lectern on stage right. The Regents stand and form a line in front of the chairs on stage left. Dean Goldenberg picks up the doctoral hood from under his seat and stands next to Dr. Schmitt. Regent Clifton stands next to the lectern on stage left. Provost Collins steps back and President Shelton assumes the lectern.)

PRESIDENT SHELTON: <sup>Thomas</sup> REGENT CLIFTON, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS, FACULTY, STUDENTS AND GUESTS, NORMA ROSS HAS COMPLETED A PROGRAM CULMINATING IN THE DOCTOR OF EDUCATION DEGREE IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP. UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FACULTY OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY, I PRESENT NORMA ROSS TO YOU FOR THE CONFERRING OF HER DEGREE.

(President steps back and Regent Clifton assumes the lectern.)



REGENT CLIFTON: INASMUCH AS YOU HAVE BEEN RECOMMENDED BY THE FACULTY, CONTINGENT UPON COMPLETION OF ALL REQUIREMENTS, AND BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY AND THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, I CONFER UPON YOU, THE DEGREE TO WHICH YOU ARE ENTITLED WITH ALL THE RIGHTS, PRIVILEGES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES PERTAINING THERETO. PLEASE COME FORWARD TO RECEIVE YOUR DIPLOMA.

(Regent Clifton picks up the diploma from the shelf of the lectern and hands it to the Ms. Ross. Provost Collins and Dean Goldenberg assist with the hooding. Ms. Ross may make a few brief remarks before shaking the hands of the Regents lined up on stage left and walking off the stage by the side stairs. All platform participants except Provost Collins are seated. Provost Collins assumes the lectern.)

PROVOST COLLINS: PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FOR THE SPECIALIST'S AND MASTER'S DEGREES AND ADVANCED GRADUATE CERTIFICATES WILL BE CONDUCTED BY RONALD GOLDENBERG, DEAN OF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL. THE DEGREES WILL BE CONFERRED BY REGENTS DE MATTIA, AND PURSELL ASSISTED BY THE ACADEMIC OFFICERS AND DEANS OF THE UNIVERSITY.

(Provost Collins is seated. Dean Goldenberg assumes the lectern. Regent De Mattia comes forward and stands to the left of Dean Goldenberg.)



DEAN GOLDENBERG: WILL THE CANDIDATES FOR THE SPECIALIST'S DEGREE, ADVANCED GRADUATE CERTIFICATES AND MASTER'S DEGREE PLEASE RISE. (Candidates rise.) REGENT DE MATTIA, EACH OF THESE PERSONS HAS COMPLETED A PROGRAM OF ADVANCED STUDIES. THE FACULTY OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY RECOMMENDS THEM FOR SPECIALIST'S DEGREES, GRADUATE CERTIFICATES AND MASTER'S DEGREES. I PRESENT THEM TO YOU NOW FOR THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES.

(Dean Goldenberg steps back and Regent De Mattia assumes the lectern.)

REGENT DE MATTIA: INASMUCH AS YOU HAVE BEEN RECOMMENDED BY THE FACULTY, CONTINGENT UPON COMPLETION OF ALL REQUIREMENTS, AND BY VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY AND THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, I CONFER UPON YOU, THE DEGREE OR CERTIFICATE TO WHICH YOU ARE ENTITLED WITH ALL THE RIGHTS, PRIVILEGES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES PERTAINING THERETO. PLEASE COME FORWARD TO RECEIVE YOUR DIPLOMA.

(Dean Goldenberg is seated. Regent DeMattia and Dean Boone go down the stairs to presentation stage left. Regent Pursell and Dr. Bennion go down the stairs to presentation right. Candidates are led to the stage by the marshals. Candidates present their name card to the reader who reads the name of the candidate. Dean Boone hands Regent DeMattia and Dr. Bennion hands Regent Pursell the diplomas for the students. Regent DeMattia and Regent Pursell shake the hands of the students and hand them

their diplomas. When all Specialists, Certificates and Masters candidates have walked across the stage, all presenters are seated and Provost Collins assumes the lectern.)

PROVOST COLLINS: WE AT EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY WORK VERY HARD TO CREATE AN "HONORS ENVIRONMENT" THAT WILL MAXIMIZE OUR STUDENTS' CHANCES FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS. NEARLY 80 PERCENT OF OUR FACULTY HAVE EARNED DOCTORAL OR TERMINAL DEGREES IN THEIR FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION, AND THESE FACULTY REGULARLY TEACH INTRODUCTORY CLASSES. THE UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM WAS ESTABLISHED IN THE FALL OF 1984 TO ATTRACT GIFTED STUDENTS TO THE UNIVERSITY AND PROVIDE THEM WITH SPECIAL INTELLECTUAL CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES TO EXCEL.

THIRTY-EIGHT ARE GRADUATING FROM THE UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM THIS SEMESTER. IN ADDITION TO COMPLETING THEIR UNDERGRADUATE REQUIREMENTS WITH AN EXCEPTIONAL GRADE POINT AVERAGE, THESE STUDENTS HAVE ALSO UNDERTAKEN THE SPECIAL CHALLENGE OF HONORS WORK WHICH INCLUDES A MAJOR PROJECT, THE SENIOR HONORS THESIS.

AT THIS TIME I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE GRADUATES OF THE UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM. WILL THE GRADUATES FROM THIS PROGRAM STAND AND BE RECOGNIZED. (Pause) PLEASE BE SEATED.

PROVOST COLLINS: NOW, WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THOSE

UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS GRADUATING WITH ACADEMIC HONORS. MANY OF THESE STUDENTS ARE SEATED TOGETHER AND WILL BE COMING FIRST TO THE STAGE TO RECEIVE THEIR DIPLOMAS. STUDENTS GRADUATING CUM LAUDE PLEASE RISE. (Pause) THESE STUDENTS HAVE ATTAINED A 3.5 TO 3.69 GRADE POINT AVERAGE. STUDENTS GRADUATING MAGNA CUM LAUDE PLEASE RISE. (Pause) THESE STUDENTS HAVE ATTAINED A 3.7 TO 3.89 GRADE POINT AVERAGE. STUDENTS GRADUATING SUMMA CUM LAUDE PLEASE RISE. (Pause) THESE STUDENTS HAVE ATTAINED A 3.9 TO 4.0 GRADE POINT AVERAGE. (Pause) THE BACHELOR'S DEGREES WILL BE CONFERRED BY REGENTS LETICA, DEREZINSKI, DE MATTIA, PURSELL, AND CLIFTON, VICE PRESIDENT DOYLE, AND ASSOCIATE VICE PRESIDENT MC ANUFF ASSISTED BY THE DEANS AND ACADEMIC OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY.

(Regent Letica approaches the lectern and stands slightly behind the lectern on stage right. Regent Derezinski approaches the lectern and stands slightly behind the lectern on stage left. Regents Clifton, Pursell, and DeMattia, Vice President Doyle, and Associate Vice President McAnuff stand at their chairs.)

PROVOST COLLINS: WILL THE CANDIDATES FOR THE BACHELOR'S DEGREE PLEASE RISE. (Candidates rise.) REGENT LETICA, IT IS INDEED A HIGH HONOR AND DISTINCT PRIVILEGE, ON BEHALF OF THE FACULTY OF EASTERN MICHIGAN

PROVOST COLLINS: UNIVERSITY, TO PRESENT TO YOU MEMBERS OF THE UNDERGRADUATE CLASS FOR THE CONFERRING OF THE BACCALAUREATE DEGREES TO WHICH THEY ARE APPROPRIATELY ENTITLED.

(Provost Collins steps back and Regent Letica assumes the lectern.)

REGENT LETICA: INASMUCH AS YOU HAVE BEEN RECOMMENDED BY THE FACULTY, CONTINGENT UPON COMPLETION OF ALL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR'S DEGREE, AND BY THE VIRTUE OF THE AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE BOARD OF REGENTS OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY AND THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, I CONFER UPON YOU, THE BACHELOR'S DEGREE TO WHICH YOU ARE ENTITLED WITH ALL OF THE RIGHTS, PRIVILEGES AND RESPONSIBILITIES PERTAINING THERETO. PLEASE COME FORWARD TO RECEIVE THE DIPLOMA APPROPRIATE TO THE DEGREE WHICH HAS BEEN CONFERRED UPON YOU AS YOU ARE DIRECTED BY THE MARSHALS.

(Regent Letica and Dean Fish go to presentation stage right. Regent Derezinski and Dean Harden go to presentation stage left. All others are seated. Candidates are led to the stage one row at a time by the marshals. Candidates present their name cards to the readers, who read the name and any honors listed on the card of the candidates. Readers please read only University academic honors - not program or college designations. Please read, where appropriate, summa cum laude, magna cum laude, and cum laude. After the candidates receive their diplomas, they return to their seats where

they remain standing until their entire row has returned, whereupon the marshals give the signal to be seated.)

(Dean Fish hands Regent Letica and Dean Harden hands Regent Derezinski the diplomas for the students. Regents Letica and Derezinski shake the students hands and hand them their diplomas.)

(When needed - about one-fourth of the way through the Bachelor candidates - Regent DeMattia and Dean King will relieve Regent Letica and Dean Fish and Regent Pursell and Dr. Clifford will relieve Regent Derezinski and Dean Harden.)

(When needed - about one-half way through the Bachelor candidates - Regent Clifton and Dean McKelvey will relieve Regent DeMattia and Dean King and Provost Collins and Dean Robbins will relieve Regent Pursell and Dr. Clifford.)

(When needed - about three-fourths of the way through the Bachelor candidates - Associate Vice President McAnuff and Mr. Tammany will relieve Regent Clifton and Dean McKelvey and Vice President Doyle and Dean Tubbs will relieve Provost Collins and Dean Robbins.)

(When all Bachelor candidates have walked across the stage, all presenters are seated and Provost Collins assumes the lectern.)



PROVOST COLLINS: TO ALL OF THE GRADUATES LEAVING OUR HALLOWED HALLS, I EXPRESS, ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE UNIVERSITY, OUR HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS. THE REGENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF WOULD ALSO LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE FAMILIES OF OUR GRADUATES. WOULD THE PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS OF THE GRADUATES PLEASE STAND AND BE RECOGNIZED. (Pause) PLEASE BE SEATED. WOULD THE SPOUSES AND CHILDREN OF THE GRADUATES PLEASE STAND AND BE RECOGNIZED. (Pause) PLEASE BE SEATED. YOUR ENCOURAGEMENT, GUIDANCE AND LOVE HAVE MADE IT POSSIBLE FOR THESE GRADUATES TO EARN THEIR DEGREES.

I NOW PRESENT THE HONORABLE JAMES CLIFTON, WHO, AS VICE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS, WILL ADDRESS THE GRADUATES.

(Provost Collins returns to his chair. Regent Clifton assumes the lectern and reads the Charge to the Graduates.)

REGENT CLIFTON: ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS AND THE CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, I WISH TO CONGRATULATE YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES ON YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENT TODAY. WE ARE ESPECIALLY GLAD THAT YOU WILL BE REPRESENTING US AS LEADERS AND PROFESSIONALS IN ALL THE FIELDS REPRESENTED BY YOUR DEGREES. WE NEED YOU. THE WORLD NEEDS YOU TO HELP MAKE THIS A SAFER, MORE EQUITABLE AND MORE EFFECTIVE PLACE FOR YOURSELVES AND FUTURE GENERATIONS. GO FORTH AND MAKE YOURSELVES PROUD AND YOU WILL MAKE US PROUD IN THE PROCESS.

(Regent Clifton returns to his seat. Provost Collins assumes the lectern.)

PROVOST COLLINS: MS. MELONIE COLAIANNE OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, WOULD LIKE TO WELCOME YOU TO THE RANKS OF OUR DISTINGUISHED EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY ALUMNI.

(Provost Collins is seated. Ms. Colaianne assumes the lectern.)

MS. COLAIANNE: I BRING GREETINGS AND CONGRATULATIONS FROM THE EASTERN MICHIGAN ALUMNI ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS. AS A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE MORE THAN 80,000 ALUMS, I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU TO ACHIEVE YOUR CAREER GOALS AS YOU MAKE THIS TRANSITION FROM BLUE JEANS TO BLUE SUITS, FROM CLASSROOM TO BOARD ROOM, AND FROM STUDENT TO TEACHER. WE TAKE GREAT PRIDE IN INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS AS ALUMS OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY:

- THOMAS FLEMING, THE 1992 NATIONAL TEACHER OF THE YEAR
- SHERYL JAMES, A 1991 PULITZER PRIZE WINNER IN JOURNALISM
- DENNIS TOFFOLO, PRESIDENT OF J.L. HUDSON'S; AND
- RONALD CAMPBELL, THE CFO OF THE DETROIT PISTONS

TO KEEP YOU INFORMED OF UNIVERSITY AND ALUMNI ACTIVITIES, THE ALUMNI BOARD OF DIRECTORS IS PLEASED TO PRESENT TO YOU A ONE-YEAR COMPLIMENTARY MEMBERSHIP IN THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION. ONCE AGAIN, CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR FINE ACCOMPLISHMENT.

(Ms. Colaianne is seated. Provost Collins assumes the lectern.)

PROVOST COLLINS: LEONARD RICCINTO WILL NOW LEAD US IN SINGING OUR PLEDGE, EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY'S ALMA MATER. THE WORDS MAY BE FOUND IN THE BACK OF YOUR PROGRAM. PLEASE RISE.

(Provost Collins steps back to his seat. Professor Riccinto assumes the lectern.)

PROFESSOR RICCINTO: OUR PLEDGE (Alma Mater)

EASTERN, SACRED ALMA MATER, TO YOUR NAME WE SHALL BE TRUE, EVER MARCHING ON TO VICTORY, WE'LL STAND BY TO SEE YOU THROUGH. SOFTLY FLOATING ON THE BREEZE, VERDANT GREEN WITH WHITE OF SNOW, THIS OUR BANNER WE WILL CARRY IN OUR HEARTS WHERE'ER WE GO.

(Professor Riccinto returns to his seat and remains standing. President Shelton assumes the lectern. Participants are seated.)

PRESIDENT SHELTON: I WISH TO THANK THE UNIVERSITY SYMPHONIC CONCERT WINDS, CONDUCTOR MAX PLANK AND LEONARD RICCINTO FOR THEIR PERFORMANCES HERE TODAY. (Pause) COMMENCEMENT IS A TIME FOR ENDINGS AND A TIME FOR BEGINNINGS, A TIME FOR SADNESS AND A TIME FOR CELEBRATION. AS YOU GRADUATE, I SINCERELY HOPE YOU WILL TAKE WITH YOU THE KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDING REQUIRED TO EXCEL IN OUR MODERN, COMPLEX WORLD, AS WELL AS WARM PERSONAL FRIENDSHIPS

PRESIDENT SHELTON: TO LAST THROUGH THE YEARS. WE AT EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY TAKE PRIDE IN YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND WISH YOU WELL IN THE FUTURE.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, AS WE PREPARE TO CONCLUDE THIS COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM, WE REQUEST THAT YOU ASSIST WITH AN ORDERLY RECESSION BY REMAINING IN YOUR SEATS UNTIL THE RECESSIONAL IS ENTIRELY COMPLETED. WE ARE PLEASED TO SEE THE MANY GUESTS HERE TODAY CELEBRATING THIS MOST IMPORTANT EVENT. THANK YOU AND CONGRATULATIONS.

(Participants stand and replace caps. Wait until the ROTC color guard are in place.

Recessional is led by the Grand Marshal, followed next by the Color Guard and then the President leading the stage participants in the reverse order of the processional. Return to Warner where you may disrobe.)

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