

1998

AM Ceremonial Script, April 26, 1998

Eastern Michigan University

EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY SPRING COMMENCEMENTS
SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 1998
BOWEN FIELD HOUSE

Assemble by 10:30 a.m../Procession begins at 10:45 a.m./Program begins at 11:00 a.m.

President:	William E. Shelton
Grand Marshal:	Bert Greene, Emeritus
Marshals of Faculty:	James Conley Jerald Griess
Marshals of Graduates:	Charles Anderson, Capt. Philip Brenner, Capt. Peter Fontana, Sharon Jackonen, Capt. Robert McGuire, Sandra Nelson, Jacqueline Newsome-Oden, Stewart Work
Music:	The EMU Symphonic Concert Winds, David Woike, Conductor

DOORS TO BOWEN FIELD HOUSE WILL OPEN AT 9:45 A.M.

Faculty enter by the southwest door of Warner (ground floor), assemble in Rooms 117, 119 and form lines for the procession at 10:30 a.m. in the adjacent hallway.

Bachelor's Degree Students will enter the South door of Warner, proceed upstairs and assemble in Warner Gymnasiums A and B (street level).

Honors Students enter the Southeast door of Warner, assemble in Room 111.

Graduate Certificates, Masters, Specialists, and Doctoral Students enter by the Northeast door of Warner and assemble in Room 208.

CANDIDATES FOR GRADUATION, IN ACADEMIC DRESS, WILL FORM A LINE AT 10:30 a.m. AND PROCESS INTO THE FIELD HOUSE AT 10:45 a.m.

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

Handicapped seating is available in Bowen. Please call 487-0048 for information.

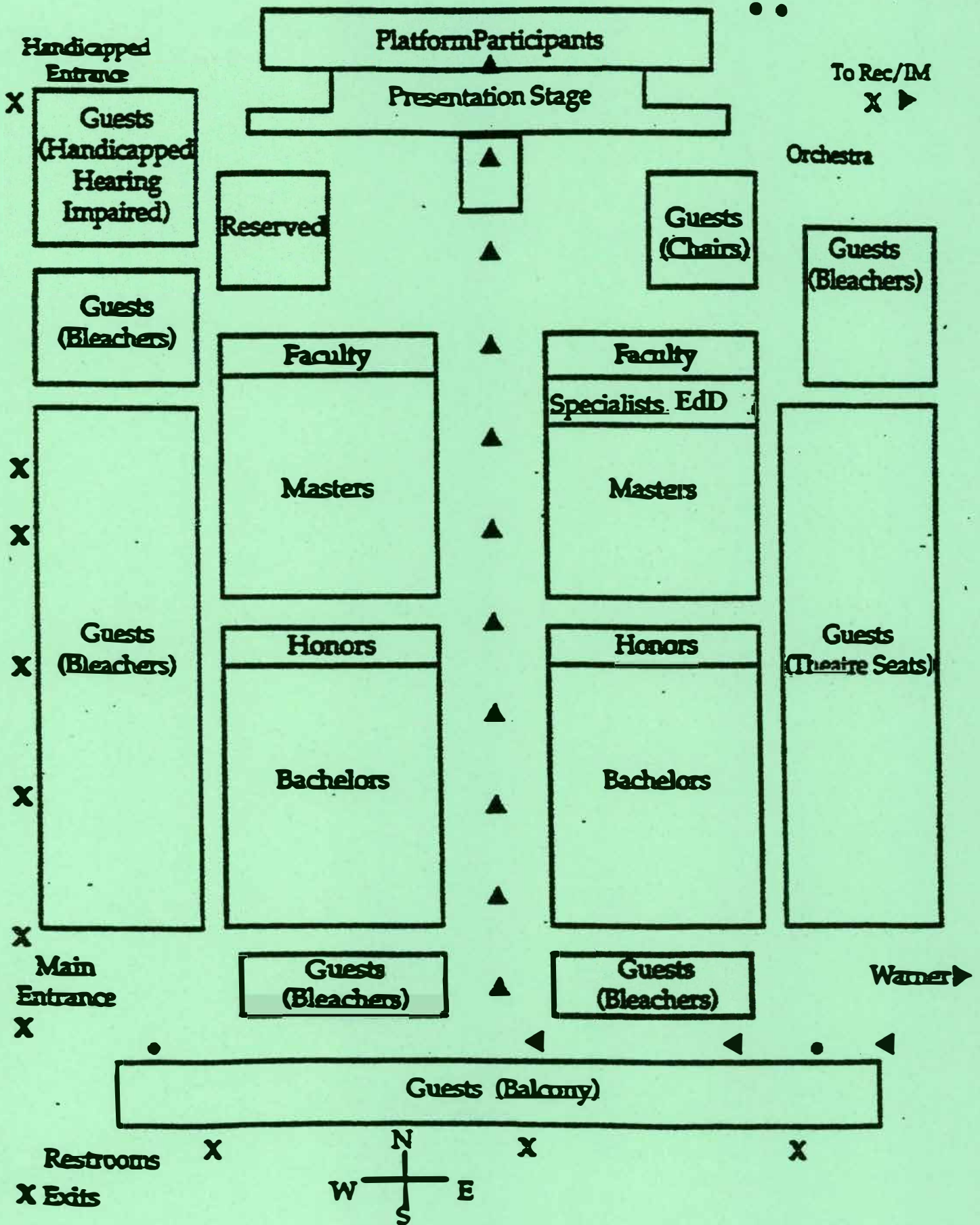
Public parking is available in the parking structure and all University lots except the Bowen lot.

Questions regarding student records pertaining to graduation should be directed to 487-4203, for undergraduate students and 487-0093 for graduate students.

ALL GUESTS MUST HAVE A TICKET TO BE ADMITTED. GRADUATES ARE ENTITLED TO FOUR (4) TICKETS.

Eastern Michigan University Bowen Field House

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COMMENCEMENT
Sunday, April 26, 1998 Processional at 10:45 a.m.
PROCESSIONAL

		Greene (Mace)	Right-Row 2
		-Color Guard-	
		Student Marshals	
Main Floor	Anderson	Porter	Main Floor
	Brenner	Nelson	
	Fontana	Newsome	
	Jacksonen	Work	
		Doctorates	
		Specialists	
		Graduate Certificates	
		Masters	
		Bachelors	
		Faculty Marshals	
Main Floor	Griess	Conley	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	Pluta	Peoples	Left-Row 2
Right-Row 2	Tack	Boone	Left-Row 2
Right-Row 2	Moeller	Holkeboer	Left-Row 2
Right-Row 2	Loppnow	Kirkland	Left-Row 2
Left-Row 2	Montgomery	Beagen	Left-Row 2
Left-Row 3	Evans	McCracken	Left-Row 3
Left-Row 3	Zimmer		
Right-Row 2		McKanders	
Right-Row 1		Reid - Charter	
Right-Row 1		McAnuff - Seal	
Left-Row 1		Doyle - Keys	
Right-Row 1		Smith - Colors	
Left-Row 1		Collins - Book	
Right-Row 1	Stephens	Griffin	Left-Row 1
Right-Row 1	DeMaria		
Right-Row 1		Incarnati	
		Rivers	Left-Row 1
		Riley	Left-Row 1
		Shelton	Left-Row 1

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

SPRING COMMENCEMENT
Sunday, April 26, 1998

STAGE SEATING CHART
Bowen Field House

Mace Table
* Pluta (signer)

	Row 1	Row 2	Row 3
	* McAnuff		* Harden
	* Reid	* Greene	* King
STAGE RIGHT	* Smith	* Tack	* Robbins
	* DeMattia	* Moeller	* Tubbs
	* Stephens	* Loppnow	* Fish
	* Incarnati	* McKanders	
LECTERN			
	* Shelton	* Kirkland	* Evans
	* Riley	* Montgomery	* McCracken
	* Rivers	* Holkeboer	* Zimmer
STAGE LEFT	* Griffin	* Boone	
	* Collins	* Beagen	
	* Doyle	* Peoples	
	Row 1	Row 2	Row 3

**EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
COMMENCEMENT SCRIPT
Sunday, April 26, 1998
Bowen Field House**

10:45 a.m. PROCESSIONAL
(University Symphonic Concert Winds)

GRAND MARSHAL BERT GREENE 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 1998 SPRING COMMENCEMENT. (Pause)
PLEASE JOIN GLENDA KIRKLAND, PROFESSOR OF MUSIC, IN SINGING OUR
NATIONAL ANTHEM. WE WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE UNIVERSITY
SYMPHONIC CONCERT WINDS, CONDUCTED BY DAVID WOIKE.

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

PROFESSOR KIRKLAND: (NATIONAL ANTHEM)

(Remain standing. Professor Kirkland returns to her 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.)

CHAIRMAN PHILIP INCARNATI OF FENTON

ROSALIND GRIFFIN OF BLOOMFIELD HILLS

WILLIAM STEPHENS OF WEST BLOOMFIELD

(Regents, please be seated.)

I WOULD NOW LIKE TO INTRODUCE THE MEMBERS OF CABINET, ACADEMIC OFFICERS, AND DEANS. PLEASE STAND.

(Cabinet members, academic officers, and deans please stand briefly.)

LEADING OUR PROCESSION TODAY IS GRAND MARSHAL BERT GREENE.

(Dr. Greene stands.) DR. GREENE RETIRED IN JANUARY 1998 AFTER THIRTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY. HE WAS AWARDED THE TITLE OF PROFESSOR EMERITUS IN TEACHER EDUCATION. (Dr. Greene sits down.)

OUR FACULTY MARSHALS ARE JERALD GRIESS, PROFESSOR OF INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY, AND JAMES CONLEY, PROFESSOR OF MANAGEMENT.

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

PRESIDENT SHELTON: THE MARSHALS OF THE STUDENTS ARE CHARLES ANDERSON, PROFESSOR EMERITUS OF CHEMISTRY; PHILIP BRENNER, CAPTAIN AND ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF MILITARY SCIENCE; PETER FONTANA, CAPTAIN AND ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF MILITARY SCIENCE; SHARON JACKONEN, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF NURSING EDUCATION; JOHN PORTER, MAJOR AND ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF MILITARY SCIENCE; SANDRA NELSON, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF NURSING EDUCATION; JACQUELINE NEWSOME, ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF NURSING EDUCATION; AND STEWART WORK, PROFESSOR OF CHEMISTRY.

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

REPRESENTING THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATION AND THEATRE ARTS ARE THE FACULTY MEMBERS WHO WILL BE PERFORMING POSSIBLY THE MOST DIFFICULT JOB OF THE DAY --- READING THE GRADUATES' NAMES AS THEY ARE PRESENTED.

(Readers rise and sit down.)

SEATED BEFORE YOU ARE THE MEMBERS OF THE 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.)

THERE ARE INDIVIDUALS SEATED AMONG THE FACULTY WHO HAVE ACHIEVED RECOGNITION AMONG THEIR PEERS AS RECIPIENTS OF THE 1997-98

PRESIDENT SHELTON: DISTINGUISHED FACULTY AWARDS, THE UNIVERSITY'S HIGHEST HONOR OF DISTINCTION FOR TEACHING, SCHOLARLY AND CREATIVE ACTIVITY, AND SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY. I WOULD LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE THOSE INDIVIDUALS AND ASK THAT THEY RISE AND RECEIVE RECOGNITION. MICHAEL HARRIS, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF POLITICAL SCIENCE FOR THE TEACHING I AWARD; JOELLEN VINYARD, PROFESSOR OF HISTORY AND PHILOSOPHY FOR THE TEACHING II AWARD; ANNETTE MARTIN, PROFESSOR OF COMMUNICATION AND THEATRE ARTS FOR THE SCHOLARLY AND CREATIVE ACTIVITY AWARD; AND DALE RICE, PROFESSOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION FOR THE SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY AWARD.

(Faculty present rise and are seated as their name is called.)

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 OF HIGHER EDUCATION WHOSE ROOTS DATE BACK TO 1849 WHEN IT WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE STATE LEGISLATURE FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING "A GOOD COMMON SCHOOL EDUCATION." EASTERN MICHIGAN THUS BECAME MICHIGAN'S FIRST INSTITUTION TO PREPARE TEACHERS TO SERVE THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS. OVER THE YEARS, EASTERN MICHIGAN EVOLVED INTO A COMPREHENSIVE, DOCTORAL-GRANTING UNIVERSITY, ADAPTING AND DEVELOPING ACADEMIC PROGRAMS TO MEET THE EVER-CHANGING AND

PRESIDENT SHELTON: EXPANDING NEEDS OF ITS STUDENTS AND THE WORLD AROUND IT.

EASTERN MICHIGAN IS NOW RECOGNIZED FOR ITS OUTSTANDING EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS AND FOR THE CONTRIBUTIONS OF ITS FACULTY, STUDENTS, AND ALUMNI THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. EASTERN MICHIGAN ALSO IS RECOGNIZED FOR BEING ON THE CUTTING EDGE OF THE NEW PARADIGM FOR HIGHER EDUCATION WHICH IS FOCUSED ON LEARNING.

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 MICHIGAN 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

PRESIDENT SHELTON: IN HIGHER EDUCATION. (Pause)

IN THE SPIRIT OF THE PURSUIT OF EXCELLENCE, WE ARE HONORED TO SHARE THIS DAY WITH OUR ESTEEMED GUEST SPEAKER, MR. RICHARD RILEY AND WITH CONGRESSWOMAN LYNN RIVERS.

WE ARE VERY PLEASED TO HAVE WITH US THIS MORNING CONGRESSWOMAN LYNN RIVERS, WHO WILL INTRODUCE OUR COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER AND SERVE AS COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER THIS AFTERNOON. CONGRESSWOMAN RIVERS REPRESENTS MICHIGAN'S THIRTEENTH DISTRICT, WHICH INCLUDES YPSILANTI AND EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY. MS. RIVERS IS SERVING HER SECOND TERM IN CONGRESS AFTER SERVING TWO YEARS IN THE MICHIGAN HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES AND EIGHT YEARS AS A MEMBER OF THE ANN ARBOR BOARD OF EDUCATION.

CONGRESSWOMAN RIVERS SERVES ON THE HOUSE BUDGET COMMITTEE AND THE SCIENCE COMMITTEE. IN 1995, SHE RECEIVED THE "OUTSTANDING NEW MEMBER AWARD" FROM THE COMMITTEE FOR EDUCATION FUNDING AND A 100-PERCENT RATING ON THE LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS' "ENVIRONMENTAL REPORT CARD." SHE IS ONE OF ONLY TWO FRESHMAN REPRESENTATIVES TO HAVE BEEN RANKED "THE BEST" BY PUBLIC CITIZEN IN ITS CONGRESSIONAL VOTING INDEX.

MS. RIVERS IS A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN AND EARNED HER LAW DEGREE FROM WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY. I AM VERY

PRESIDENT SHELTON: PLEASED TO PRESENT TO YOU CONGRESSWOMAN LYNN

RIVERS.

(President Shelton is seated. Rep. Rivers assumes the lectern.)

REP. RIVERS: RICHARD RILEY IS A NATIVE OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND GRADUATED CUM LAUDE FROM FURMAN UNIVERSITY IN 1954. HE WENT ON TO SERVE AS AN OFFICER ON A U.S. NAVY MINESWEEPER. IN 1959, HE RECEIVED A LAW DEGREE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA. HE SERVED AS A STATE REPRESENTATIVE AND STATE SENATOR IN SOUTH CAROLINA FROM 1963 TO 1977. IN 1978, HE WAS ELECTED GOVERNOR OF SOUTH CAROLINA AND WAS SO POPULAR THAT THE PEOPLE OF HIS STATE AMENDED THEIR CONSTITUTION SO THAT HE COULD BE ELECTED TO A SECOND TERM IN 1982.

RICHARD RILEY WAS SELECTED AS U.S. SECRETARY OF EDUCATION AFTER HE WON NATIONAL RECOGNITION FOR HIS SUCCESSFUL EFFORT TO IMPROVE EDUCATION IN SOUTH CAROLINA. HE HAS HELPED LAUNCH HISTORIC INITIATIVES TO RAISE ACADEMIC STANDARDS, TO IMPROVE INSTRUCTION FOR THE POOR AND DISADVANTAGED, TO EXPAND LOANS TO HELP MORE AMERICANS GO TO COLLEGE, TO PREPARE YOUNG PEOPLE FOR THE WORLD OF WORK, AND TO IMPROVE TEACHING. HE ALSO HELPED TO CREATE THE PARTNERSHIP FOR FAMILY INVOLVEMENT IN EDUCATION, WHICH TODAY INCLUDES MORE THAN 4,000 GROUPS.

SECRETARY RILEY, NOW IN HIS SECOND TERM OF OFFICE, IS LEADING

REP. RIVERS: PRESIDENT CLINTON'S NATIONAL CRUSADE FOR EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION. HE HAS HELPED WIN A MAJOR RULING BY THE FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION TO GIVE SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES DEEP DISCOUNTS FOR INTERNET ACCESS AND TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES. HE HAS ALSO HELPED WIN MAJOR IMPROVEMENTS IN THE INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES EDUCATION ACT. HE HAS WORKED TIRELESSLY WITH THE PRESIDENT TO WIN HISTORIC TAX CUTS, INCREASE GRANTS TO HELP NEEDY AND MIDDLE-INCOME FAMILIES AFFORD THE COST OF COLLEGE, AND PROVIDE LIFE-LONG LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES TO AMERICANS OF ALL AGES.

RICHARD RILEY'S GOALS FOR THE NATION INCLUDE VOLUNTARY NATIONAL TESTS TO ENSURE THAT ALL STUDENTS MASTER THE BASICS OF READING AND MATH. HE IS WORKING TO ORGANIZE ONE MILLION VOLUNTEER READING TUTORS THROUGH THE "AMERICA READS CHALLENGE" TO HELP CHILDREN READ INDEPENDENTLY AND WELL BY THE END OF THE THIRD GRADE. ALONG WITH THE VICE PRESIDENT, HE IS ALSO WORKING TO EXPAND SAFE, AFTER-SCHOOL LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FOR CHILDREN.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, I AM PLEASED TO PRESENT TO YOU
SECRETARY OF EDUCATION, RICHARD RILEY.

(Rep. Rivers is seated. Sect. Riley assumes the lectern.)

SECT. RILEY: (COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS)

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

PRESIDENT SHELTON: THANK YOU SECRETARY RILEY FOR YOUR MOST APPROPRIATE MESSAGE. YOUR DEDICATION TO EDUCATION AND COMMITMENT TO THE BETTERMENT OF THE EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM SERVE AS AN INSPIRATION TO ALL OF US. (Pause)

I WOULD NOW LIKE TO PRESENT PROVOST AND VICE PRESIDENT RONALD COLLINS WHO WILL INTRODUCE THE GRADUATES.

(President Shelton returns to his chair. Provost Collins assumes the lectern.)

PROVOST COLLINS: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, IT IS WITH GREAT PLEASURE THAT I PRESENT TO YOU EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY'S DOCTOR OF EDUCATION CANDIDATE, JAMES AVERY. (Mr. Avery and his dissertation chair, Helen Ditzhazy, rise and remain standing in front of their seats.) (Pause for applause). THE DOCTOR OF EDUCATION DEGREE WILL BE CONFERRED BY PRESIDENT WILLIAM SHELTON AND REGENT WILLIAM STEPHENS, ASSISTED BY ROBERT HOLKEBOER, INTERIM DEAN OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH. MR. AVERY IS PRESENTED BY HIS DISSERTATION CHAIR, PROFESSOR HELEN DITZHAZY.

(President Shelton, Regent Stephens, and Dean Holkeboer stand in front of their chairs. Provost Collins steps back and President Shelton assumes the lectern.)

PRESIDENT SHELTON: REGENT STEPHENS, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS, FACULTY, STUDENTS, AND GUESTS, JAMES AVERY HAS COMPLETED A PROGRAM CULMINATING IN THE DOCTOR OF EDUCATION DEGREE IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP. UPON THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FACULTY

PRESIDENT SHELTON: OF EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY, I PRESENT THIS

CANDIDATE TO YOU FOR THE CONFERRING OF HIS DEGREE.

(President Shelton steps back and Regent Stephens assumes the lectern.)

REGENT STEPHENS: 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.

(Dr. Ditzhazy carries the doctoral hood for Mr. Avery and escorts him up the center ramp to the lower stage and stands behind him to the left of the diploma stand. Regent Stephens, President Shelton, Provost Collins, and Dean Holkeboer descend the stairs to the lower stage. Provost Collins and Dean Holkeboer assist with the hooding. The President hands a diploma cover to Regent Stephens. Regent Stephens gives the candidate his diploma cover and shakes his hand. All participants except Provost Collins return to their chairs. Provost Collins assumes the lectern.)

PROVOST COLLINS: CONGRATULATIONS. (Pause) THE PRESENTATION OF

CANDIDATES FOR THE SPECIALIST'S AND MASTER'S DEGREES AND ADVANCED GRADUATE CERTIFICATES WILL BE CONDUCTED BY DR. ROBERT HOLKEBOER, INTERIM DEAN OF GRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH. THE DEGREES WILL

PROVOST COLLINS: BE CONFERRED BY REGENT INCARNATI, ASSISTED BY THE
ACADEMIC OFFICERS AND DEANS OF THE UNIVERSITY.

(Provost Collins returns to his seat. Dean Holkeboer assumes the lectern. Regent Incarnati comes forward and stands to the left of Dean Holkeboer.)

DEAN HOLKEBOER: WILL THE CANDIDATES FOR THE SPECIALIST'S DEGREE,
ADVANCED GRADUATE CERTIFICATES AND MASTER'S DEGREE PLEASE RISE?
(Pause) (Candidates rise.) REGENT INCARNATI, EACH OF THESE CANDIDATES 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 Holkeboer steps back and Regent Incarnati assumes the lectern.)

REGENT INCARNATI: 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 Holkeboer is seated. Provost Collins and Dean Fish go down the stairs to presentation stage left. Regent Incarnati and Dr. Tack go down the stairs to presentation right. Two of the readers go down the stairs to microphones left and right. Candidates are led to the stage by the marshals of the students. Candidates present their name card to the reader who reads the name of the candidate. Dean Fish hands Provost Collins and Dr. Tack hands Regent Incarnati the diplomas for the students. Provost Collins and Regent Incarnati shake the hands of the students and hand them their diplomas. When all Specialist's, Certificate, and Master's 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. THE UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM WAS ESTABLISHED TO ATTRACT GIFTED STUDENTS TO THE UNIVERSITY AND TO PROVIDE THEM WITH SPECIAL INTELLECTUAL CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES TO EXCEL.

SEVENTY-FOUR STUDENTS ARE GRADUATING FROM THE UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM THIS SEMESTER. IN ADDITION TO COMPLETING THEIR UNDERGRADUATE REQUIREMENTS WITH AN EXCEPTIONAL GRADE POINT AVERAGE, THESE STUDENTS ALSO HAVE 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

PROVOST COLLINS: UNIVERSITY HONORS PROGRAM. WILL THE GRADUATES FROM THIS PROGRAM STAND AND BE RECOGNIZED. (Pause) PLEASE BE SEATED.

ALSO, WE WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THOSE UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS GRADUATING WITH ACADEMIC HONORS. STUDENTS GRADUATING CUM LAUDE PLEASE RISE. (Pause) THESE STUDENTS HAVE ATTAINED A 3.5 TO 3.69 GRADE POINT AVERAGE. PLEASE BE SEATED. STUDENTS GRADUATING MAGNA CUM LAUDE PLEASE RISE. (Pause) THESE STUDENTS HAVE ATTAINED A 3.7 TO 3.89 GRADE POINT AVERAGE. PLEASE BE SEATED. STUDENTS GRADUATING SUMMA CUM LAUDE PLEASE RISE. (Pause) THESE STUDENTS HAVE ATTAINED A 3.9 TO 4.0 GRADE POINT AVERAGE. PLEASE BE SEATED.
(pause)

THE BACHELOR'S DEGREES WILL BE CONFERRED BY REGENTS GRIFFIN AND STEPHENS, AND VICE PRESENTS DOYLE, MCANUFF, REID AND SMITH, ASSISTED BY THE DEANS AND ACADEMIC OFFICERS OF THE UNIVERSITY.

(Regent Griffin approaches the lectern and stands slightly behind the lectern on stage right. Regent Stephens approaches the lectern and stands slightly behind the lectern on stage left. Vice President Doyle, McAnuff, Reid, and Smith stand at their chairs.)

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

PROVOST COLLINS: MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY, TO PRESENT TO YOU THE MEMBERS OF THE UNDERGRADUATE CLASS OF 1998 FOR THE CONFERRING OF THE BACCALAUREATE DEGREES TO WHICH THEY ARE APPROPRIATELY ENTITLED.

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

REGENT GRIFFIN: INASMUCH AS YOU HAVE BEEN RECOMMENDED BY THE FACULTY, CONTINGENT UPON COMPLETION OF ALL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BACHELOR'S DEGREE, 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 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 Griffin and Dean Tubbs go to presentation stage right. Regent Stephens and Dean Robbins go to presentation stage left. All others are seated. Two of the readers go to the microphones stage left and stage right. 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 University academic honors only - 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 Tubbs hands Regent Griffin and Dean Robbins hands Regent Stephens the diplomas for the students. Regents Griffin and Stephens shake the students' hands and hand them their diplomas.)

(About one-fourth of the way through the Bachelor candidates - Vice President Doyle and Dean King will relieve Regent Griffin and Dean Tubbs and Vice President McAnuff and Dr. Moeller will relieve Regent Stephens and Dean Robbins.)

(About one-half way through the Bachelor candidates - Vice President Smith and Dean Harden will relieve Vice President Doyle and Dean King and Provost Collins and Dean Beagen will relieve Vice President McAnuff and Dr. Moeller.)

(About three-fourths of the way through the Bachelor candidates - Vice President Reid and Dean Boone will relieve Vice President Smith and Dean Harden and Dr. Lopnow and Dean Peoples will relieve Provost Collins and Dean Beagen.)

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

REGENT INCARNATI: ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS AND THE

**CITIZENS OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, I WISH TO CONGRATULATE THE
GRADUATES AND THEIR FAMILIES. WE ARE PROUD OF YOUR
ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR FUTURE SUCCESS AS
PROFESSIONALS AND LEADERS IN THE FIELDS REPRESENTED BY YOUR**

REGENT INCARNATI: DEGREES. WE NEED YOU AND THE WORLD NEEDS YOU TO HELP MAKE THIS A SAFER, MORE EQUITABLE AND MORE EFFECTIVE SOCIETY FOR YOURSELVES AND FUTURE GENERATIONS. GO FORTH AND MAKE YOURSELVES PROUD AND YOU WILL MAKE US PROUD IN THE PROCESS.

(Regent Incarnati returns to his seat. President Shelton assumes the lectern.)

PRESIDENT SHELTON: ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE UNIVERSITY, I WOULD LIKE TO CONGRATULATE THE GRADUATES AND THANK THE PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, SPOUSES AND CHILDREN OF THE GRADUATES FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT, GUIDANCE AND LOVE WHICH HAVE SUPPORTED THESE WOMEN AND MEN WHILE THEY PURSUED THEIR DEGREES.

COMMENCEMENT IS A TIME FOR ENDING AND A TIME FOR BEGINNING, 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. I ALSO HOPE YOU WILL TAKE WITH YOU CLOSE FRIENDSHIPS WHICH WILL REMAIN WITH YOU THROUGHOUT THE YEARS. WE TAKE PRIDE IN YOUR ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND WISH YOU ALL POSSIBLE SUCCESS IN THE FUTURE.

WE WILL CONCLUDE THIS COMMENCEMENT CEREMONY WITH OUR ALMA MATER, OUR PLEDGE, LED BY PROFESSOR GLENDA KIRKLAND. THE WORDS MAY BE FOUND IN THE BACK OF YOUR PROGRAM. FOLLOWING THE ALMA MATER, WE REQUEST THAT YOU REMAIN IN YOUR SEATS UNTIL THE

PRESIDENT SHELTON: RECESSIONAL IS COMPLETED. PLEASE RISE. PROFESSOR
KIRKLAND.

(President Shelton returns to his seat and remains standing. Professor Kirkland assumes the lectern.)

PROFESSOR KIRKLAND: 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 Kirkland returns to her chair and remains standing. Participants replace caps. Wait until the Grand Marshal and Color Guard are in place. Recessional is led by the Grand Marshal, followed by the Color Guard and then the President leading participants in reverse order of the processional. Return to Warner where you may disrobe.)

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