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East Lansing, MI 49924

To the Faculty Senate:

This letter is written to request that the Faculty Senate acknowledge (by resolution) the remarkable accomplishments of Dr. Teresa Woodruff – first as provost and later as interim president of Michigan State University. Under her leadership, Michigan State University has successfully navigated a series of traumatic events – as well as implemented several institution-enhancing initiatives:

- I) Successful response to the Covid epidemic as a national leader
- II) An empathetic and people-centric response to a devastating campus shooting
- III) The development and implementation of a strategic diversity initiative and plan that is a national referent
- IV) The development of the Spartan Tuition Advantage Scholarship plan as a component of enhanced student success
- V) The construction of the Multicultural Center on campus
- VI) Championed programs to reduce the “graduation gap,” generally enhancing the student success initiative, and achieving new highs for its graduation rate
- VII) Michigan State University has achieved its highest national ranking in history
- VIII) Achieving the most diverse management group in the history of Michigan State University
- IX) Achievement of a stable campus environment – with community dialogues, medical and other partnerships, record fundraising and research grant funding – all in spite of ongoing social, medical and economic turmoil locally and nationally.

These accomplishments have been produced through hard work – without grandstanding or other forms of self-aggrandizement.

Finally, I am writing this letter as a faculty member. It is not meant as a statement or representation of/from others or related to my job or other relationships at Michigan State University.

Thank you for your time and attention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Matthew J. Anderson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being the most prominent.

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