## Presidential recognition of May as Jewish American Heritage Month at Wayne State University

HEREAS the United States Congress has designated the month of May as Jewish American Heritage Month, and Wayne State University joins in this tribute and celebration by acknowledging the many accomplishments and contributions that Jewish Americans have made in our society; and

WHEREAS a congressional resolution proclaiming Jewish American Heritage Month was passed by the United States House of Representatives in December 2005 and the United States Senate in February 2006, and Gov. Gretchen Whitmer issued a proclamation declaring May as Jewish American Heritage Month in Michigan May 1, 2023; and

WHEREAS the objectives of Jewish American Heritage Month are to create a greater awareness of the contributions of Jewish Americans to American culture, to illustrate the diversity of the Jewish American community, and to encourage a greater curiosity within young people about the rich history and cultural heritage of Jewish Americans; and

WHEREAS Jewish influence is evident in American culture in, among other things, music, art, science, food, humanities, and business and trade; and

WHEREAS at Wayne State University, Jewish Americans have graced our campus community with invaluable leadership and intellectual achievements. They are members of our faculty, our staff and our student body. In recognition of the numerous achievements and contributions made by Jewish Americans, we reaffirm our commitment to encourage and support them through equal educational and employment opportunities.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Kimberly Andrews Espy, Ph.D., president of Wayne State University, hereby proclaim the month of May as Jewish American Heritage Month at Wayne State University, and I encourage the entire campus to join proudly in this celebration.

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Kimberly Andrews Espy, Ph.D. President