



## Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners

# PROCLAMATION

### PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING APRIL 2024 AS KALAMAZOO VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE MONTH

WHEREAS, The more than 1,000 community and technical colleges, public and private, in the United States have contributed enormously to the richness and accessibility of American higher education. Nearly half of all undergraduate college students in the nation today are enrolled in community colleges;

WHEREAS, By providing educational opportunities at costs and locations accessible to all who are qualified, community and technical colleges have greatly enhanced the opportunity for every ambitious student to enter a postsecondary school program. As community-based institutions, our institutions provide varied programs and offer specialized training for thousands of occupations;

WHEREAS, This community has been served by Kalamazoo Valley Community College since 1966 supporting the advancement of Southwest Michigan by developing strong industry partnerships and providing state-of-the-art training and educational experiences;

WHEREAS, Kalamazoo Valley Community College is an accredited institution by the Higher Learning Commission and is accredited by several nationally recognized programmatic accreditors, including American Culinary Federation, Committee on Accreditation of Educational Programs for the Emergency Medical Services Professions, Medical Assisting Education Review Board, Commission on Accreditation for Respiratory Care, Commission on Dental Accreditation, Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing, American Alliance of Museums, Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards, Michigan Sheriffs' Association, Michigan Department of Licensing and Regulatory Affairs, Automotive Service Excellence Education Foundation and Michigan Fire Fighters Training Council;

WHEREAS, Approximately 10,000 students of all ages and backgrounds annually attend Kalamazoo Valley Community College to receive a superb education and earn degrees, certificates and training that help them become skilled members of the workforce that propels economic growth and encourages learning and culture; and

WHEREAS, Kalamazoo Valley Community College has been instrumental in revitalizing the City of Kalamazoo with the Arcadia Commons Campus, Center for New Media, Kalamazoo Valley Museum and Bronson Healthy Living Campus; now, therefore be it

*Proclaimed*, That the Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners recognizes April 2024 as Kalamazoo Valley Community College Month.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the County of Kalamazoo, Michigan to be affixed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of April, 2024.


Adopted: April 16, 2024  
Moved Taylor  
Seconded Hepler  
Carried Unanimously

  
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Tami Rey, Chair  
Kalamazoo County Board of Commissioners

STATE OF MICHIGAN )  
 )SS  
COUNTY OF KALAMAZOO )

I, Meredith Place, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of Kalamazoo County, Michigan (the "County") do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of the resolution adopted by the Board of Commissioners at the meeting held on April 16, 2024. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with Act No. 267 of the Public Acts of Michigan of 1976, as amended.

IN WITNESS WHEREFORE, I have hereunto affixed by signature this 18 Day of April 2024.

  
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Meredith Place  
County Clerk/Register of Deeds

Approved as to form for **KALAMAZOO COUNTY GOVERNMENT**  
**COHL, STOKER & TOSKEY, P.C.**  
BY: Timothy M. Perrone  
Date: April 9, 2024

