

**RESOLUTION: Celebrating Men's Basketball 25-Year Anniversary
 1998 MAC Championship Team**

WHEREAS Western Michigan University celebrates the 25-year anniversary of the 1997-98 Broncos Men's Basketball Team which won a share of the Mid-American Conference regular season title and reached the 1998 NCAA Tournament boasting one of the most successful campaigns in school history; and

WHEREAS Coached by Bob Donewald, the 1997-98 Broncos went 21-8 with a 14-4 conference record. WMU was led by senior guard Saddi Washington, who earned All-MAC First Team honors after averaging 21.6 points per game; and

WHEREAS Western Michigan's regular season success earned the program its second-ever bid to the NCAA Tournament. WMU earned the 11-seed in the Midwest Region, and behind a 32-point effort from senior guard Rashod Johnson and 24 points from Washington, the Broncos scored a first-round upset over six-seeded Clemson, 75-72; and

WHEREAS The Broncos set numerous program bests throughout the course of their post-season campaign. The previous points mark fell by the wayside as the squad tallied 2,286 on the year. The offensive output led to 78.8 points per outing, the second-best average in school history; therefore be it

RESOLVED The Western Michigan University Board of Trustees unifies in celebrating the legacy of achievement accomplished by the 1997-98 Broncos Men's Basketball team.