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MICHIGAN INDEPENDENT COLLEGES & UNIVERSITIES APPOINTS RICHARD PAPPAS AS CHAIR OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., June 7, 2016 – Dr. Richard J. Pappas, President of Davenport University, has been appointed Chair of the Board for Michigan Independent Colleges & Universities (MICU), effective June 2016. Dr. Pappas, who has more than 40 years of experience in higher education, including 27 as a college president, most recently served as Vice Chair of MICU’s Executive Committee.

“We are pleased to welcome a leader like Rick Pappas to the position of Board Chair,” said Robert LeFevre, President of MICU. “He has a proven track record of leadership in higher education. We look forward to the many contributions he will bring to support Michigan’s not-for-profit colleges and universities.”

As the voice of Michigan’s independent, not-for-profit institutions of higher education, MICU’s goal is to increase awareness of the impact its members have through government relations, public policy development and advocacy. MICU member institutions serve more than 105,000 students across Michigan, which is approximately a quarter of all college students in the state.

About Davenport University

Founded in 1866, Davenport is a private, non-profit university serving about 8,500 students at campuses across Michigan and online. With tuition among the lowest of all private universities in the state, Davenport provides high academic quality, small class sizes, conveniently located campuses, faculty with real-world experience and more than 60 dynamic undergraduate and graduate programs addressing in-demand careers in business, technology, health professions and urban education. More information is available at www.davenport.edu.

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