

## **Resolution to Confer Emerita Status on Reverend Gail Ruth Geisenhainer**

**WHEREAS**, Rev. Geisenhainer has served this Congregation well, with love and dedication for the 8 years from August, 2008 to August, 2016;

**WHEREAS**, Rev. Geisenhainer has worked with youth and young adults in our congregation to inspire them to live rich lives guided by UU values;

**WHEREAS**, Rev. Geisenhainer has inspired our congregation with excellence in worship and music;

**WHEREAS**, Rev. Geisenhainer has improved our congregational culture by modeling respectful and loving ways for all of us to interact with each other, and assume everyone's best intentions for the life of the congregation;

**WHEREAS**, Rev. Geisenhainer has extended UU values into the Ann Arbor community, notably by speaking out for Climate Action and presiding over Ann Arbor's March 2014 same sex marriages;

**WHEREAS**, Rev. Geisenhainer brought depth, excitement, fun and purpose to the yearlong celebration of the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our congregations founding, helping us revere our past while looking to a dawning future;

**WHEREAS**, Rev. Geisenhainer has set the congregation on a path to financial stability and exemplary stewardship of our building and grounds;

**WHEREAS**, Rev. Geisenhainer provided strong guidance through difficult decisions and devoted ministerial leadership;

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the First Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Ann Arbor confers Minister Emerita status to Rev. Geisenhainer with all the rights and privileges afforded the Emerita title.