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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

MORRIS FINALIST IN MUSIC COMPETITION

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University music performance major Jason Morris was a finalist in the Senior Men's Division at the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) District Auditions held recently at the University of Illinois at Urbana.

Morris, the son of Mike and Sherrill Morris of Metamora, was among some 260 students from 23 colleges and universities in Illinois and northern Indiana who participated in the auditions which included preliminary, semi-final and final rounds of competition in different divisions. Finalists were featured in an afternoon concert and received certificates and cash awards.

This was the fifth consecutive district competition in which Eastern had multiple winners. Morris, a 1989 graduate of Metamora High School, studies under Robert Snyder, professor of music at Eastern.

Eastern, located in Charleston, places its highest priority on teaching in its classrooms and laboratories, supplemented by strong academic support services.