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For Immediate Release:

RECEPTION PLANNED IN HONOR OF CLAUDIA LANE

CHARLESTON – Claudia Lane, an academic advisor for the Gateway Program, Office of Minority Affairs, at Eastern Illinois University, will be honored with a reception Wednesday, Jan. 29.

The long-time EIU employee has accepted a position at Indiana University – Purdue University, Indianapolis.

Co-workers, students (past and present), family and friends are invited to share in honoring Lane's many contributions to EIU from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Jan. 29 in the 1895 Room, located on the second floor (east side) of the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union. The reception is being hosted by the Office of Minority Affairs.

Those unable to attend Lane's reception may send cards and best wishes via the Office of Minority Affairs, Eastern Illinois University, 600 Lincoln Ave., Charleston, Ill. 61920.

Lane began her career at Eastern in the fall of 1974. However, over the years she took time off to raise three children.

The Lanes have made their time at EIU a family affair. Lane's husband, Johnny Lee Lane, served as a professor in EIU's Department of Music for about 29 years; he currently is employed with Indiana University – Purdue University, Indianapolis. The couple's daughters, Latoya and Maxine, both earned their undergraduate degrees at Eastern. In 2002, Latoya completed her master's degree in family and consumer sciences, while Maxine continues to pursue her master's degree in that same program. Son Johnny is a senior African-American studies major at EIU.