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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

HILL NAMED PROVOST AND VP FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AT EASTERN

CHARLESTON, IL--Barbara Hill of Charleston has been named provost and vice president for academic affairs at Eastern Illinois University. She had been serving as the acting provost and VPAA since Oct. 21 of last year.

Eastern President Stan Rives said, "The appointment of Barbara Hill as provost and vice president for academic affairs assures excellence in that office. Dr. Hill has a deep commitment to Eastern Illinois University and has performed extremely well as acting provost and VPAA over the past several months.

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"She brings excellent credentials to the position and has strong support in the University community. Her appointment assures stability in the central administration at a time when the University is searching for a new president."

Hill said, "I am honored to have been chosen for the vice presidency and plan to continue to approach the position with the same vigor and resolve that I have in an acting capacity. I am confident I will be a positive force in moving the academic affairs agenda forward."

The provost and vice president for academic affairs, as the chief academic officer of the University, provides leadership in all areas related to academic affairs. Responsibilities include, but are not limited to, planning and coordinating academic programs, developing policies and budgets, and providing leadership in the maintenance of quality instruction through faculty recruitment, retention, and development.

Charles Colbert, Eastern's vice president for business affairs, served as chair of the selection committee which consisted of 13 faculty, administrators, staff, and students.

Colbert said, "Dr. Hill competed with 75 highly qualified candidates from across the country. Her selection, considering the quality of all the applicants, is a clear indication of the excellence she brings to the position."

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HILL NAMED PROVOST AND VPAA

Vice President for Student Affairs Glenn Williams said, "I am enthusiastic about the selection of Dr. Hill as vice president. I have known her for many years and have found her to be an excellent administrator, dedicated to Eastern and its best interests. I look forward to working with her."

Stephen Falk, vice president for institutional advancement, joined other members of the campus community in applauding the appointment of Hill. "She has demonstrated commitment and support to the Eastern Illinois University Foundation and Alumni Association," Falk said.

Hill received her bachelor's, master's, and a specialist degree in educational administration from Eastern and doctorate from Southern Illinois University. She came to Eastern in 1969.

Before being named dean for the College of Applied Sciences in 1984, she served as dean of the School of Home Economics from 1981 to 1984 and prior to that as assistant dean of the School of Home Economics.