

Agendum
Oakland University
Board of Trustees Formal Session
April 12, 2021

**COMMENDATION OF ALFRED G. WILSON AWARD
TO JACK RYAN ANDREWS**

Recommendation

1. **Division and Department:** Student Affairs & Diversity.
2. **Introduction:** The Alfred G. and Matilda R. Wilson Awards are presented annually to an Oakland University senior male and female who have contributed as scholars, leaders and responsible citizens to the Oakland University community. First awarded in 1965, these honors were designated by Matilda R. Wilson, founder of Oakland University, and Durward B. Varner, Oakland's first chancellor, to recognize those students who not only have achieved academic excellence but also have made significant contributions to campus life and demonstrated interest in the social problems of our community and society. The resolution set forth below is submitted for consideration and approval in honor of Jack Ryan Andrews, recipient of the 2021 Alfred G. Wilson Award.
3. **Previous Board Action:** The Board of Trustees recognizes the Alfred G. Wilson Award recipient for his outstanding achievements.
4. **Budget Implications:** None.
5. **Educational Implications:** The Alfred G. Wilson Award recipient exemplifies superior academic and co-curricular achievement by a male undergraduate. His accomplishments reflect the highest University standards of scholarship, leadership, and citizenship and serve as an outstanding example for the entire campus community.
6. **Personnel Implications:** None.
7. **University Reviews/Approvals:** The 2021 Wilson and Human Relations Awards Committee reviews and interviews Alfred G. Wilson Award candidates and recommends nominees for final approval to the Senior Vice President for Student Affairs & Chief Diversity Officer and the President.
8. **Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

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WHEREAS, Jack Ryan Andrews entered Oakland University by way of Chippewa Valley High School in Clinton Township, MI to pursue a major in Bioengineering in the School of Engineering and Computer Science; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Andrews demonstrated academic excellence by maintaining a 3.89 grade point average; achieving Dean's List for each of his semesters at OU; being awarded the Presidential Scholarship upon entering OU; and by being recognized by his professors for his diligence and significant dedication to learning; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Andrews demonstrated widespread campus leadership as Vice President of the OU Men's Soccer Club (OUMCS); Event Coordinator of the Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society (EMBS); a Frances M. Mocerri Scholar; a research assistant in the School of Engineering and Computer Science and the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, IN; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Andrews dedicated himself to service by working tirelessly with the Oakland County Sheriff Police Athletic League (PAL), teaching the inner-city youth of Pontiac, MI the fundamentals of soccer; volunteering his time by participating in multiple Alternative Spring Break service trips; aiding in the fundraising efforts of the Alex M. Mackmin Memorial Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Andrews has been selected as the 2021 recipient of the Alfred G. Wilson Award given annually to a graduating senior who has maintained high academic standards, who has demonstrated extraordinary leadership capabilities and involvement in the Oakland University community, and who has expressed social concern; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees expresses its appreciation to Mr. Andrews for his unwavering commitment to campus life at Oakland University; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees commends Jack Ryan Andrews for the quality of his leadership and extends to him its best wishes for continued success in all of his future endeavors.

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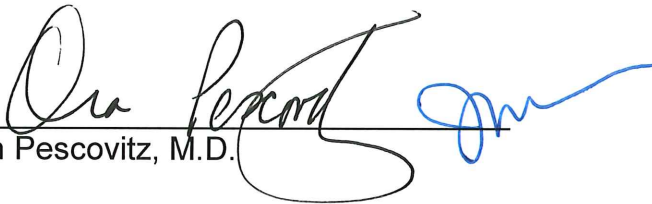
9. Attachments: None.

Submitted to the University President
on 5 April 2021, 2021 by



Glenn McIntosh
Senior Vice President for Student Affairs &
Chief Diversity Officer

Recommended on 4/6, 2021
to the Board for approval by



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President

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**COMMENDATION OF MATILDA R. WILSON AWARD
TO SYDNEY JENNIFER TORRES**

Recommendation

1. **Division and Department:** Student Affairs & Diversity.
2. **Introduction:** The Alfred G. and Matilda R. Wilson Awards are presented annually to an Oakland University senior male and female who have contributed as scholars, leaders and responsible citizens to the Oakland University community. First awarded in 1965, these honors were designated by Matilda R. Wilson, founder of Oakland University, and Durward B. Varner, Oakland's first chancellor, to recognize those students who not only have achieved academic excellence but also have made significant contributions to campus life and demonstrated interest in the social problems of our community and society. The resolution set forth below is submitted for consideration and approval in honor of Sydney Jennifer Torres, recipient of the 2021 Matilda R. Wilson Award.
3. **Previous Board Action:** The Board of Trustees recognizes the Matilda R. Wilson Award recipient for her outstanding achievements.
4. **Budget Implications:** None.
5. **Educational Implications:** The Matilda R. Wilson Award recipient exemplifies superior academic and co-curricular achievement by a female undergraduate. Her accomplishments reflect the highest University standards of scholarship, leadership, and citizenship and serve as an outstanding example for the entire campus community.
6. **Personnel Implications:** None.
7. **University Reviews/Approvals:** The 2021 Wilson and Human Relations Awards Committee reviews and interviews Matilda R. Wilson Award candidates and recommends nominees for final approval to the Senior Vice President for Student Affairs & Chief Diversity Officer and the President.
8. **Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

**Commendation of Matilda R. Wilson Award to Sydney Jennifer Torres
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WHEREAS, Sydney Jennifer Torres entered Oakland University as a student from Almont High School in Almont, MI to pursue a major in Biomedical Sciences in the College of Arts and Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Torres demonstrated academic excellence by maintaining a 4.0 grade point average; achieving Dean's List honors for each of her semesters at OU; being a Kenny Merit Scholarship recipient; receiving first place honors in the Writing Excellence Competition through the Department of Writing and Rhetoric; serving as president of the Pre-Medical Society; Secretary of the Future Leader Dogs at OU; and by being recognized by her professors for her diligence and significant dedication to learning; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Torres demonstrated widespread campus leadership as a Research Assistant for the College of Arts and Sciences; a Teaching Assistant and Dean's Student Fellow for the Honors College; a Medical Scribe and Nursing Assistant for Beaumont Health; a participant of the Career Development Academy at the University of Michigan's School of Medicine; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Torres has dedicated herself to community service by volunteering as a Kitchen Aid at Grace Centers of Hope in Pontiac, MI; serving as a Reading and Literacy Mentor at the Center for Success in Pontiac, MI; a Community Volunteer and Clinic Observer with MEDLIFE OU; raising and training Future Leader Dogs for the blind and visually impaired community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Torres has been selected as the 2021 recipient of the Matilda R. Wilson Award given annually to a graduating senior who has maintained high academic standards, who has demonstrated extraordinary leadership capabilities and involvement in the Oakland University community, and who has expressed social concern; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees expresses its appreciation to Ms. Torres for her unwavering commitment to campus life at Oakland University; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees commends Sydney Jennifer Torres for the quality of her leadership and extends to her its best wishes for continued success in all of her future endeavors.

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9. Attachments: None.

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**COMMENDATION OF THE HUMAN RELATIONS AWARD
TO JAI CARRERO**

Recommendation

1. **Division and Department:** Student Affairs & Diversity.
2. **Introduction:** The Human Relations Award was established in 1990 to recognize a graduating senior who has made an outstanding contribution to intergroup understanding and conflict resolution at Oakland University. The resolution set forth below is submitted for consideration and approval in honor of Jai Carrero, recipient of the 2021 Human Relations Award.
3. **Previous Board Action:** The Board of Trustees recognizes the Human Relations Award recipient for her outstanding achievements.
4. **Budget Implications:** None.
5. **Educational Implications:** The Human Relations Award recipients demonstrate the importance of intercultural understanding and service to the University community. Students receiving this award have displayed significant leadership in advancing intergroup harmony. These contributions include conflict resolution within or among groups and an increased understanding of cultures, groups, and nations.
6. **Personnel Implications:** None.
7. **University Reviews/Approvals:** The 2021 Wilson and Human Relations Awards Committee reviews and interviews Human Relations Award candidates and recommends nominees for final approval to the Senior Vice President for Student Affairs & Chief Diversity Officer and the President.
8. **Recommendation:** It is recommended that the Board of Trustees adopt the following resolution:

**Commendation of the Human Relations Award to Jai Carrero
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WHEREAS, Jai Carrero entered Oakland University as a student from Crescent Academy High School in Oak Park, MI to pursue a Bachelors in Fine Arts concentration in Acting in the College of Arts and Sciences; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Carrero demonstrated academic excellence by maintaining a 3.0 grade point average; a CORE Ambassador in the Center for Multicultural Initiatives; an Admissions Ambassador in the Office of Admissions; and by being recognized by her professors for her diligence and significant dedication to learning; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Carrero demonstrated widespread campus leadership by being President and founder of the Black Lives Matter student organization; a Diversity Advocate in the School of Music, Theatre, and Dance; serving as a mentor and advocate to students experiencing academic and mental health challenges; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Carrero dedicated herself to serving the community by serving as Chair of the Kennedy Center American College Theatre Festival Region III Student Council; creating Kaleidoscope, a student organization that provides BIPOC, LGBTQIA, and other underrepresented students a platform to perform theatrical works; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Carrero has been selected as the 2021 recipient of the Human Relations Award given annually to a graduating senior who has made an outstanding contribution to intergroup understanding and conflict resolution in the Oakland University community; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees expresses its appreciation to Ms. Carrero for her unwavering commitment to campus life at Oakland University; and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Trustees commends Jai Carrero for the quality of her leadership and extends to her its best wishes for continued success in all of her future endeavors.

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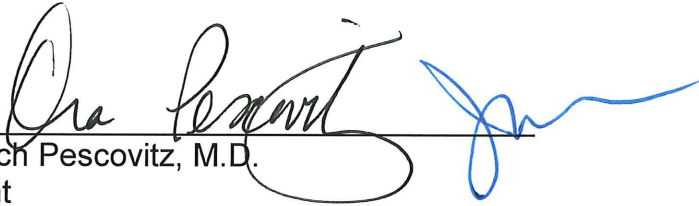
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