MCCC PRESIDENT TO PRESENT ‘STATE OF THE COLLEGE’ ADDRESS TO THE COMMUNITY

MONROE, Mich. – Monroe County Community College President Dr. Kojo A. Quarthe will present the State of the College Address to the Community on Monday, July 21 at 7:30 a.m. at the headquarters of Monroe Bank & Trust.

The event, which is open to the public, will be held in the 4th Floor Assembly Room. MBT’s headquarters are located at 10 Washington St. in Downtown Monroe. A continental breakfast will be provided, with the address beginning promptly at 8 a.m.

Quarthe, the fifth president of MCCC, will complete his first full year in office on Aug. 1.

At the address, Quarthe will cover topics such as:

- The significance of the college’s 50th anniversary in 2014 and how it was commemorated;

- How the college offers high-quality higher education at an affordable price and contributes to the success of students, businesses and the community-at-large;

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- New initiatives such as a “direct college” program at Monroe High School and partnerships with all nine county school districts to offer more dual enrollment classes and expand the Monroe County Middle College;

- Details on the college’s Strategic Plan and Enrollment Management Plan, including information on key components such as innovative ways to grow enrollment, stackable credentials of economic value, and corporate and international partnerships.

- Challenges MCCC faces in the areas of academic programming, student services, affordability, computer technology and facilities due to years of declining funding streams and aggressive cost containment; and

- The possibility that, for the first time in 34 years, MCCC may need to ask county voters for an additional tax levy in the fall.

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