

**PROCLAMATION  
CELEBRATING ATHENS HIGH SCHOOL  
ADVANCED PLACEMENT AWARD**

**WHEREAS, Athens High School** has once again displayed their dedication to the education of our community's youth as they have been named the **Advanced Placement School of the Year for the State of Michigan** by the Siemens Foundation; and

**WHEREAS,** The foundation annually honors one high school per state for its commitment in Advanced Placement participation and performance in the areas of science and math; and

**WHEREAS, Athens High School** was specifically acknowledged for the fact that nearly 400 students were enrolled in AP courses during the 2006-07 school year. Nearly 50 percent of **Athens** students take part in an AP, Honors or Advanced program; and

**WHEREAS, Athens** was also honored due to their AP learning experiences that were offered outside of the classroom, such as a field trip to the Leelanau Peninsula by environmental science students to learn about the ecology of streams and riverbanks; and

**WHEREAS, Athens** added two new AP courses that serviced an additional 62 students and created an AP Scholar program where students are honored for exceptional work. Next year **Athens** is scheduled to add AP Human Geography; and

**WHEREAS,** The Troy School District offers high school students 19 Advanced Placement courses, one of the largest numbers of offerings of any school district in Michigan. These courses give students the opportunity to earn credit or advanced standing at most of the nation's colleges and universities; and

**WHEREAS, Athens High School** will receive a \$1,000 grant awarded from the Siemens Foundation to be used to support math and science education; and

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED,** That the Troy City Council does hereby congratulate the Troy School District's **Athens High School** on being named the **Advanced Placement School of the Year for the State of Michigan**;

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED,** That the City Council joins the citizens of this community in appreciation and celebration of **Athens High School's** success as they enter into their next school year with even stronger ambitions to educate and influence the young minds of Troy.

Presented this 12<sup>th</sup> day of May 2008.