## MICHIGAN STATE

December 5, 2018

Mr. Obafemi Elegbede Community Sustainability East Lansing, MI 48824

Dear Mr. Elegbede:

Mr. Timothy Silberg nominated you and you received support by Dr. Kelly Millenbah, Dr. John Kerr, and Dr. Lisa Cook, for an *Excellence in Diversity Award* (EIDA) in the category, *"Individual-Emerging Progress."* We are pleased to announce and congratulate you as one of the 2019 EIDA cash award winners.

EIDA is an award program that recognizes outstanding efforts of faculty, students and staff at MSU that are committed to the principles of diversity and inclusion and who actively engage in activities that demonstrate a sustained commitment to these principles.

A check for \$2,500, minus taxes and any financial aid obligations to MSU will be issued to you at the award ceremony on Thursday, February 14, 2019. The program will consist of a video of you and the other 2019 award recipients. Please be available when the MSU video team in Communications and Brand Strategy contacts you to arrange a time for your interview segment.

The award ceremony will be held at The Kellogg Hotel and Conference Center, Big Ten A and will begin at 4:00 p.m. Please plan to arrive at 3:30 p.m. and check in with Audrey Bentley, program coordinator, for seating arrangements.

We encourage you to invite as many people as you wish to the program. A reception will immediately the program. The attire is business casual. More details will follow at the website in the near future: <u>http://www.inclusion.msu.edu/awards-programs/awards/index.html</u>

If you have any questions about the program, please contact Audrey Bentley, <u>bentley@msu.edu</u> or 517-353-4563.

Sincerely,

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