## Dear Friends,

I hope 2024 is off to a fine start for you and all those you love. I am writing today to inform you that The University of Scranton has once again planned a series of events and activities for Black History Month that call for celebration, reflection, learning and action.

As we pause to examine the many facets of Black lives, I encourage you to take a few minutes to view the <u>oral histories</u> of several individuals from the local Black community. These histories were collected as part of the "<u>Scranton's Story</u>; <u>Our Nation's Story</u>" initiative that was supported by a National Endowment for the Humanities grant and involved partnerships with multiple community organizations.

One of the oral histories posted is of <u>Sherman Wooden</u>, who lives in Susquehanna County and served for nearly 20 years at the University in student activities and as our Director of Multicultural Affairs, building those efforts on our campus.