



# ETHIOPIAN COMMUNITY IN MINNESOTA

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## **Press Release** To All ECM Members

Date: February 2, 2019

We are grateful to announce that the dispute among the ECM leadership on work procedure that was observed in the last few months has been resolved as of January 26<sup>th</sup> 2019 through a meeting facilitated by ECM taskforce. It involved the council of elders that was elected by the general assembly that met on December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2018, ECM board of directors, and executive committee members, and respected religious leaders. After a solemn discussion and inducement of spiritual leaders, His Holiness Abuna Eyostatiwos (Dr) played an important role in breaking the tie and uniting the two parties by putting aside differences. As a result of this, the board of directors agreed to lift up previous decisions and use the golden opportunity of working together with mutual understanding to serve the public.

We would like to extend our gratitude to all who came to the table with genuine interest to resolve the matter and keep our community together. We were trying our best to follow ethical steps in order to resolve the issue and sincerely apologize for the delay.

The ECM leadership in collaboration with the taskforce leadership is planning a colorful Adwa Victory celebration event and will consequently call a general assembly in a short period of time for discussion on the past performance and future plan that is expected to focus on the vision of ECM and attainment of a common Ethiopian center in the Twin Cities.

“It is honorable to be Ethiopian”

**Ethiopian Community in Minnesota**

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