



**PRESS RELEASE: Ferris MCO Grad Maki Becomes President of Michigan Optometric Association**

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Included below is a press release regarding the official news that 1990 Ferris State University Michigan College of Optometry graduate Matthew J. Maki has become the new president of the Michigan Optometric Association Board of Directors for 2011-12. He follows in the footsteps of Dr. Lillian T. Kalaczinski, who served as president during the 2010-11 year. Any questions about this release can be directed to Sandy Gholston, interim assistant director of News Services.

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BIG RAPIDS – Dr. Matthew J. Maki, a 1990 graduate of the Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University, assumed his role as president of the Michigan Optometric Association Board of Directors in July during the organization’s annual meeting at Crystal Mountain Resort in Thompsonville.

As president of the MOA, Maki will oversee all officers and trustees as the organization’s 2011-12 board now is set.

“I thank the MOA membership for the opportunity to serve as president, and look forward to cooperating with my fellow board members and other hard-working volunteer optometrists in the association,” Maki said. “Together we will continue to address some of the major challenges facing optometry in Michigan, so our profession can best meet the eye and vision care needs of our patients.”

Maki is a partner in Eye Care Associates of Owosso. His term follows that of 1998 Ferris MCO graduate Dr. Lillian T. Kalaczinski, immediate past president of the MOA, who served as president during the recently-concluded 2010-11 year.

“I promise to maintain current and develop new partnerships to strengthen the MOA, and I encourage all of my colleagues, especially students and those new to practice, to continue forging these relationships to ensure their own personal success and the continued success of our profession,” Maki said.

The mission of the MOA is to unite all licensed optometrists and represent the profession of optometry in Michigan. The association provides education, information and other member services to assist optometrists in practicing successfully in accordance with the highest standards

of patient care. The MOA works to advance the quality and accessibility of optometric services throughout the state and seeks to ensure the recognition of optometrists as the primary providers of vision and related health.

For more about the 2011-12 MOA board of directors, visit:

<http://michigan.aoa.org/x9974.xml>

For more information about MCO at Ferris, visit:

<http://www.ferris.edu/htmls/colleges/michopt/homepage.htm>

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