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# MGTV's Documentary *Defining Moments To Be Shown At* **East Lansing Film Festival**

## **Documentary Examines the Internment of Japanese Americans During WWII**

(Lansing, MI)--Michigan Government Television's *Defining Moments: Frank Murphy, Fred Korematsu, and the Internment of Japanese Americans During World War II* has been selected to be shown at this year's East Lansing Film Festival. The documentary not only gives an overview of the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II, but also concentrates on the U.S. Supreme Court cases dealing with the internment, especially *Korematsu v. U.S.* Michigan's Frank Murphy (former Detroit mayor and governor of Michigan) served on the court during this period and is remembered for his eloquent dissent in the *Korematsu* case. The documentary includes interviews with three East Lansing residents who were interned during the war as well as archival photos and film footage of the camps.

***Defining Moments* will be shown at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, in Theatre A – Bresson, in Wells Hall, on the campus of Michigan State University. (Please note *Defining Moments* will be one of three films shown in this block. It may not be the first film shown, so may begin later than 11:30.)**

“We’re thrilled that our documentary was chosen to be included in this year’s festival,” said MGTV’s executive director, Bill Trevarthen, who served as *Defining Moments* director and executive producer. “The story of the internment of Japanese Americans is especially compelling in our post-9/11 world, and the *Korematsu* case still has tremendous relevance today.”

Michigan Government Television, modeled on the national C-SPAN cable networks, offers unedited and unbiased coverage of all branches of Michigan’s state government. MGTV, a non-profit, 501 (c) 3 Corporation, is a public affairs initiative of Michigan’s cable television industry.

**For directions, ticket and schedule information for the East Lansing Film Festival:**  
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