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11321. *Proposed by Christopher Hillar, Texas A&M University, College Station, TX.* Prove or disprove: Every monic polynomial $f \in \mathbb{Q}[x]$ having only real roots is the characteristic polynomial of a rational symmetric matrix.

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