



State Representative
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Biography: Democrat, of Detroit; bachelor's degree, communications and behavioral sciences, University of Michigan; graduate, Detroit Business Institute; worked as a development coordinator for the Children's Center, spending much of her time raising funds for the center from local corporations so thousands of Detroit families could have hope for the future; volunteered at Children's Hospital and Harper Hospital; appointed by former Governor Blanchard to serve on the Collections Practices Board for five years; vice chair, Detroit Charter Commission to revise the City of Detroit's constitution; championed issues affecting women, children, and Detroit residents at forums such as the Democratic National Convention; member, Plymouth United Church of Christ, Detroit NAACP, 13th Congressional Democratic District, Spanish Speaking Democrats, Trade Union Leadership Council, National Political Congress of Black Women, Michigan Theater and Dance Troupe, the National Black Congress of State Legislators, Women in Government, Women in Legislative Leadership (WILL), and Women's Action for New Directions (WAND). Appointed by Speaker Rick Johnson to serve as a member of the Midwestern Legislative Conference Midwest-Canada Relations Committee for the 2003-2004 biennium; worked for Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan for more than 20 years; elected to the House of Representatives, 2000, 2002, 2004; Minority Floor Leader, 2003, 2005.

