Senator Schauer offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 137.

A resolution of tribute to honor Pamela Harden Nyquist, Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation for her diligence and dedication over the course of her exemplary career with the Michigan Legislature that we commend Pamela Harden Nyquist. Her retirement from her responsibilities as the Assistant Secretary of the Senate brings to a close a distinguished tenure of effectiveness and leadership, which has earned her the admiration and gratitude of the members and staff of the entire Senate; and

Whereas, A graduate of Northern Michigan University, Pam Nyquist began her professional career as a social worker, working with children and families in the Marquette area. She also worked as the Upper Peninsula director for the March of Dimes before bringing her talents and energies to the Capitol as an analyst with the House Fiscal Agency in 1982. For many years a special assistant to Senator Art Miller, the Senate Democratic Leader, Pam demonstrated a strong sense of professionalism and understanding of the legislative process. After serving as a deputy chief of staff under Senate Democratic Leader John Cherry, she became the Assistant Secretary of the Senate in March 2000; and

Whereas, As Assistant Secretary of the Senate, Pam Nyquist has contributed notably to the efficiency and effectiveness of this key component of the legislative branch of government. Her personal integrity and respect for the Senate have been deeply appreciated by members and staff of both parties. Beyond her grasp of rules and procedures, however, Pam's charm and warmth have been invaluable on countless occasions. Indeed, the example of her positive attitude will long serve to benefit us all; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we join together to honor and thank Pamela Harden Nyquist, Assistant Secretary of the Senate, upon the occasion of her retirement; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Pam and her daughters, Nancy and Minda, as evidence of our gratitude and best wishes.