

The Speaker, on behalf of the entire membership of the House of Representatives, offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 349.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Shanelle Jackson.

Whereas, It is a privilege for the members of this legislative body to acknowledge the distinguished legislative tenure of Representative Shanelle Jackson. As she brings to a close a career in the Michigan Legislature, we applaud her dedication to public service within the halls of the state Capitol and to the citizens of the Ninth District; and

Whereas, Representative Shanelle Jackson is a sterling representative of Michigan's emerging young leaders committed to public service. Her career evolved from a stint as deputy chief of staff for Representative Virgil Smith to gaining election to the House of Representatives in 2006. Her tenure included membership on the House Appropriations Committee, and its Human Services, Joint Capital Outlay, and Higher Education subcommittees; and

Whereas, Representative Jackson has distinguished herself as a leader willing to work in bipartisan partnerships to enact legislation for the betterment of the citizens of her district and the entire state. Moreover, she has exercised exemplary leadership as Associate Speaker Pro Tempore and as the executive vice-chair of the Michigan Legislative Black Caucus. Most notably, she is the youngest woman of color elected to the Michigan Legislature; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we honor and thank Representative Shanelle Jackson as she closes a chapter in what is sure to be a long and illustrious career of public service; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Jackson as evidence of our gratitude and best wishes.