

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

House Resolution No. 351.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Richard LeBlanc.

Whereas, It is with gratitude for his hard work and dedication over the past six years that we salute Richard LeBlanc as he ends his tenure with the Michigan House of Representatives. A key part of his work as a legislator has been his effort at the committee level, where he has served on the Appropriations Committee and as minority vice-chair of the subcommittees for Military and Veterans Affairs and State Police. He also served as the minority vice-chair of the House Fiscal Agency Governing Board; and

Whereas, Representative LeBlanc's professional background is richly diverse, allowing him to bring an abundance of experiences to the Legislature. He was a police officer in Canton, worked for Ford Motor Company and General Motors Corporation, and is a journeyman tool and die maker, a private pilot, and driver education instructor. Representative LeBlanc was a trustee and officer of the Wayne/Westland Community Schools Board of Education and a member of the Westland City Council before being elected to the House of Representatives in 2006. His background in manufacturing, education, and local government has served him well during his tenure in the House; and

Whereas, Representative LeBlanc has been involved in numerous civic and community organizations. He is a life member of the Westland Historical Society and a member of the Westland Goodfellows, NAACP, Westland Cultural Society, UAW, and the Westland Civitans. Representative LeBlanc leaves the House of Representatives with a distinguished record of tackling tough issues that matter to Michigan, particularly the residents of southeast Michigan. During his six year tenure, he never missed a legislative vote. We look forward to his continued contributions to his community and our state; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this resolution as an expression of our gratitude to the Honorable Richard LeBlanc for his many contributions to the people of Michigan; and be it further

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