

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

House Resolution No. 362.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Sharon Tyler.

Whereas, The members of this legislative body would like to express our thanks and gratitude to the Honorable Sharon Tyler as she moves on to new challenges. For the last four years, Representative Tyler has brought invaluable knowledge and expertise to bear during some of our state's most trying years and represented well the people of Berrien and Cass counties residing in the Seventy-eighth District; and

Whereas, Sharon Tyler came to the Legislature with decades of experience in economic development and local government. She worked as a financial services manager for the Berrien County Economic Development Department for eighteen years, as the executive director of Southwest Michigan Economic Growth Alliance, and the executive director for the Berrien County Manufacturers Council for twelve years. She has served as an interim city administrator, a township trustee, a township planning commissioner, and as a member of more than one local brownfield redevelopment authority. Her work to attract new businesses and jobs has been honored by the Michigan Economic Development Corporation and the Michigan Economic Developers Association; and

Whereas, Representative Tyler has worked hard to apply her expertise to state economic development policy and represent the issues important to her district. She served as vice-chair of the Commerce Committee, minority vice-chair of the Agriculture Committee, and as a member of committees addressing education, elections, veterans, and retirement issues. She was also a member of the Council for Labor and Economic Growth advising the governor on economic development policies and a member of the regional Midwest-Canada Relations Committee. During her tenure, she never missed a vote while championing legislation to protect farms from feral swine, to strengthen campaign finance laws, to ensure more secure elections, and to improve emergency services in Michigan's border communities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we extend our appreciation and thanks to the Honorable Sharon Tyler for her service to this legislative body and the entire state; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Tyler as evidence of our gratitude and best wishes for her future endeavors.