

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

House Resolution No. 470.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Dian Slavens.

Whereas, It is with great appreciation for her service to the people of Michigan that the members of this legislative body join together in expressing our appreciation to Representative Dian Slavens. As she concludes her service in the Michigan House of Representatives, we commend her for her dedication and resolve to address the great issues of concern to the citizens of this state; and

Whereas, Dian Slavens is a graduate from Oakland Community College where she earned a degree in respiratory therapy. Prior to her career in the Legislature, she had a distinguished 20-year career as a respiratory therapist. She also contributed her professional expertise to the American Association of Respiratory Therapists and the Michigan Society of Respiratory Therapists. Additionally, she has served as a volunteer with numerous organizations, including Friends of Fischer Library, Friends of Canton Library, the Canton Chamber of Commerce, and the Bellville Chamber of Commerce; and

Whereas, Representative Slavens first won election in 2008 and was re-elected in 2010 and 2012. Her background as a health care professional gave her insight into matters concerning the needs of others and contributed to her work on the Families, Children, and Seniors Committee and the Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. Representative Slavens energy and commitment to her district and the state have set an example for others to follow; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we honor Representative Dian Slavens as she concludes her service in the Michigan House of Representatives; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Slavens as evidence of our esteem.