

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 347

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

1 A resolution of tribute for the Honorable James Lower.

2 Whereas, We are pleased to thank Representative Lower for his
3 dutiful service to the House of Representatives. He worked hard for
4 the benefit of the constituents of the Seventieth District in
5 Montcalm County and parts of Gratiot County, as well as people
6 across the whole state of Michigan; and

7 Whereas, James Lower received a bachelor's degree in economics
8 from Michigan State University and a master's degree in business
9 administration from Grand Valley State University. He worked as a
10 staff member in the Legislature and as executive director for a
11 consulting firm. His public service includes time as vice chair of
12 the Ionia County Commission and as the manager of Edmore Village.

1 This varied education and experience prepared him for his time in
2 the Legislature; and

3 Whereas, Elected in 2016 and 2018, Representative Lower's two
4 terms of service in this body were marked by diligence and
5 determination. His leadership was displayed as chair of the Local
6 Government and Municipal Finance Committee and as vice chair of the
7 Tax Policy Committee. He was also an engaged member of the Energy
8 Policy, Health Policy, and Communications and Technology
9 committees. His legislative work extended to ushering in laws on
10 retirement, occupational licensing, and taxation, among other
11 areas; now, therefore, be it

12 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this
13 expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable James
14 Lower for his notable contributions to this legislative body and to
15 our state; and be it further

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