

Reps. Lisa Brown, Ball, Barnett, Bolger, Booher, Terry Brown, Caul, Constan, Crawford, Cushingberry, Denby, Durhal, Espinoza, Geiss, Gonzales, Green, Gregory, Haase, Haines, Hildenbrand, Johnson, Robert Jones, Kandrevas, Lahti, LeBlanc, Leland, Lemmons, Lipton, Liss, Lori, Lund, Miller, Moss, Neumann, Opsommer, Pearce, Polidori, Proos, Rogers, Wayne Schmidt, Scripps, Segal, Sheltroun, Slavens, Smith, Spade, Valentine, Haugh, Knollenberg, Kowall, Meltzer, Roberts, Stamas, Walsh and Tyler offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 196.

A resolution declaring January 2010 as School Board Appreciation Month in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Article VIII, Section 2 of Michigan's Constitution of 1963 establishes that maintaining and supporting public education for Michigan's youth is a basic duty of state government; and

Whereas, Michigan's institutions of public education are the foundations on which we prosper economically, socially and intellectually; and

Whereas, The elected school board members are public servants who lead their school districts and communities and maintain excellence in education and instruction throughout the state; and

Whereas, School board members must be visionaries who are dedicated to our students and our state's future. They must be designers of structures that create achievement and stewards of the public's trust that utilize shared resources in such a way as to maximize each investment; and

Whereas, School board members are some of the strongest advocates for quality education and have established themselves as integral in the creation of public policy targeted at getting positive results; and

Whereas, The theme of this year's celebration, School Boards Lead Strong, appropriately highlights the dual role members play both as servants and leaders in their communities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare January 2010 as School Board Recognition Month in the state of Michigan.