

Senators Thomas, Jacobs, Prusi, Hunter, Clarke, Clark-Coleman, Scott and Brater offered the following resolution:

**Senate Resolution No. 71.**

A resolution applauding AT&T Michigan for its recognition of being named one of the 40 Best Companies for Diversity by *Black Enterprise* magazine.

Whereas, The 40 Best Companies for Diversity were determined by analyzing responses from a survey administered to major corporations, which consisted of a comprehensive outreach effort to the CEOs and diversity executives of the top 1,000 publicly-traded companies; and

Whereas, AT&T's workforce is 44 percent female and 39 percent persons of color. In 2008, AT&T spent over \$6 billion with diverse suppliers, which represents 12 percent of AT&T's total procurement with minority, women, and disabled veterans business enterprises; and

Whereas, In fostering diversity and inclusion, AT&T has created a better business environment, which has made the company an employer of choice, a preferred business partner, and an important contributor to the community; and

Whereas, AT&T Michigan continues to distinguish itself as a leader in Michigan through its tireless commitment to invest in our citizens and our communities and to create good-paying jobs of the 21st century in our state; and

Whereas, AT&T Michigan's sustained commitment includes its many contributions to the African-American community's economic growth, social advancement, access to opportunity, and overall well-being; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby applaud AT&T Michigan for its recognition of being named one of the 40 Best Companies for Diversity by *Black Enterprise* magazine; and be it further

Resolved, That AT&T Michigan's commitment to invest in our citizens, our economic growth, and our future reflects an ethic of business and civic excellence that will contribute greatly to Michigan's success; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to AT&T Michigan and the Office of the Governor.