

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

House Resolution No. 363.

A resolution of tribute offered as a memorial for Jan C. Dolan, former member of the House of Representatives.

Whereas, It was with sorrow that the members of this legislative body learned of the passing of former Representative Jan Dolan, who served the city of Farmington Hills and nearby areas. She was passionate about public service, skilled as a legislator, and strongly committed to serving the community. She will be remembered for her significant and lasting contributions to this body and the state of Michigan; and

Whereas, Jan Dolan was born in Akron, Ohio, and earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Akron, though she eventually found her way to Farmington Hills. She worked as a dietitian and educator, and she owned and operated an adult day care center. In Farmington Hills, she was a community leader and went on to serve as a city council member and as mayor for two terms; and

Whereas, Jan Dolan served in the Legislature for eight years beginning in 1989. She was known and respected by her colleagues as a sharp, diplomatic, and compassionate legislator. Among other issues, she was committed to ensuring quality education for children and affordable care options for the elderly. Making sure taxpayer dollars were spent wisely was another goal she pursued as a member of the Appropriations Committee and several appropriations subcommittees, including the General Government, Judiciary, Mental Health, and Public Health subcommittees. She also served on the Conservation, Consumers, Liquor Control, Oversight, and Recreation and Environment committees. Representative Dolan was also a leader in this chamber. She chaired the Mental Health Subcommittee on Appropriations and took on the role of Associate Speaker Pro Tempore; and

Whereas, Aside from her career and public service achievements, Jan Dolan was active in a myriad of civic and community organizations and efforts. The Botsford Hospital, the Farmington YMCA, the Farmington/Farmington Hills Foundation for Youth and Families, the Michigan Campaign Finance Network, the Oakland Community College Foundation, and the League of Women Voters are just some of the many groups and causes that benefited from her time and talents. Moreover, she was always willing to help others and mentored other women leaders in our state. Recognizing her sizeable contributions, the city of Farmington Hills awarded her the 2016 Nancy Bates Distinguished Public Servant Award; and

Whereas, While a tireless worker, Jan Dolan also found time for personal interests. She enjoyed arranging flowers, gardening, and other outdoor activities. She was active throughout her life and even completed her first tandem skydiving jump at the age of 85; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this expression of our highest tribute to honor the memory of Jan C. Dolan, a member of this legislative body from 1989 to 1996; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Dolan family as evidence of our lasting esteem for her memory.