

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

House Resolution No. 459.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Sylvia Santana.

Whereas, It is with great appreciation for her hard work and dedication to the Michigan House of Representatives and citizens of the Ninth District in Detroit and Dearborn that we commend Representative Sylvia Santana upon completion of her service as a member of this chamber. During her two years, her passion and commitment to improving the lives of Michiganders have benefited not only her constituents but the whole of our state's citizenry; and

Whereas, Sylvia Santana brought a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Michigan Legislature. She earned her bachelor's degree in business at Eastern Michigan University, which led her to work in the financial services industry for 15 years. Prior to her election to the House of Representatives in 2016, Representative Santana served as the president of the Warrendale Community Organization where she was a strong voice for her community; and

Whereas, Representative Santana has proudly served as the minority vice chair of the Corrections Appropriations Subcommittee where she was dedicated to improving the use of state taxpayer dollars. Recognized for her leadership, she was appointed to the House C.A.R.E.S. Task Force, developing policy solutions to reform Michigan's Mental Health Services. She drew upon her education and experience while serving on the Health and Human Services Appropriations Subcommittee as well as the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs and Insurance and Financial Services subcommittees. During her tenure, she sought to reduce the high cost of auto insurance, improve Michigan's mental health services, and support law enforcement. Representative Santana worked tirelessly as a public servant to find solutions to our state's greatest challenges; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Sylvia Santana for her notable contributions to this legislative body and to our state; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Santana as evidence of our gratitude and best wishes as she moves onto the Senate.