

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

House Resolution No. 340.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Jennifer Elkins.

Whereas, It is with great appreciation for her service to the people of Michigan in the House of Representatives that we join together to thank the Honorable Jennifer Elkins. Her rich background in community and local government service led her to Lansing, where she continued to focus on providing our children with a bright future; and

Whereas, Jennifer Elkins was first elected to public office in 1998, when she began the first of her two terms as a Clare County Commissioner. As a commissioner, Ms. Elkins was instrumental in fostering programs to help at-risk children, such as the Brighter Futures endowment fund. Hand-in-hand with her efforts to help children was Commissioner Elkins' key role in gaining a Renaissance Zone designation for Clare County in order to make bright futures possible right at home. Jennifer Elkins was also involved in a variety of civic organizations dedicated to improving the lives of children; and

Whereas, As a member of the Michigan House of Representatives in the Ninety-second Legislature, Representative Elkins has used her experience as a mother of two, community activist, and county commissioner to address her policy concerns at the state level; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we honor Representative Jennifer Elkins as she concludes her service with the Michigan House of Representatives; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Elkins as evidence of our esteem.