Reps. Slavens, Ball, Barnett, Bolger, Booher, Lisa Brown, Terry Brown, Byrnes, Constan, Coulouris, Daley, Dean, DeShazor, Donigan, Durhal, Gonzales, Green, Gregory, Haase, Hansen, Haugh, Huckleberry, Rick Jones, Robert Jones, Kennedy, Kurtz, LeBlanc, Liss, Lori, Marleau, McDowell, Neumann, Opsommer, Pavlov, Proos, Rogers, Roy Schmidt, Schuitmaker, Segal, Sheltrown, Spade, Switalski, Tlaib, Tyler, Valentine, Warren, Geiss and Leland offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 20.

A resolution recognizing January 2009 as School Board Recognition Month in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, It is the mission of the school districts in the state of Michigan to provide all students with the best possible education; and

Whereas, School boards set the direction for the public schools by envisioning the future of education; and

Whereas, School boards set policies and procedures to govern all aspects of school district operation; and

Whereas, School boards keep attention focused on progress toward their school districts' goals and maintain a two-way communications loop with all segments of their communities; and

Whereas, Serving on a school board requires an unselfish devotion of time and service to carry on the mission and business of the school district; and

Whereas, School board members must respond on behalf of the community to the educational needs of students; and

Whereas, School board members voluntarily accept the above-mentioned responsibilities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body recognize and celebrate January 2009 as School Board Recognition Month in the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That we encourage all citizens to publicly and privately thank the school board members from all school districts for their dedicated service to our children.