HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.397

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

1 A resolution of tribute to for the Honorable Jewell Jones.

2 Whereas, We offer this tribute in honor of the commendable

3 service of Representative Jewell Jones as his time in the Michigan

4 House of Representatives comes to a close. Representative Jones has

5 honorably performed his duties not only on behalf of his

6 constituents in the Eleventh District, but for all of Michigan's

7 citizens; and

8 Whereas, Representative Jones was born to Lyndon Jones and

9 Octavia Smith in Wayne, Michigan. Despite growing up everywhere

10 throughout his life, he considers Inkster, Michigan, where he

11 currently resides, his home. He attends the University of Michigan-

12 Dearborn, where he studies political science and business.

- 1 Representative Jones is a member of the National Guard, Army
- 2 Reserve Officers' Training Corps, the Black Student Union, and the
- 3 Student Veteran Association. Prior to joining the Michigan
- 4 Legislature, Representative Jones was elected to the Inkster City
- 5 Council, to which he provided a fresh and unique perspective. He
- 6 has also served his community in a variety of capacities such as
- 7 co-founding the DuBois Club, partnering with Enjoy Detroit, and
- 8 working with Our Own Wall Street, among a long list of impressive
- 9 leadership roles with other organizations. Representative Jones is
- 10 most proud of his Ethiopian-Israelite heritage and his role as a
- 11 son, brother, cousin, nephew, grandson, a cool uncle, and a dog
- 12 dad; and
- 13 Whereas, Representative Jones was elected to the Michigan
- 14 House of Representatives in 2016, bringing vibrancy and passion. He
- 15 provided leadership as the minority vice chair of the Military,
- 16 Veterans, and Homeland Security Committee and served as a member of
- 17 the committees on Regulatory Reform and Communications and
- 18 Technology. He is deeply passionate about justice reform and is a
- 19 staunch advocate for reducing mass incarceration; now, therefore,
- **20** be it
- 21 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this
- 22 expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Jewell
- 23 Jones for his notable contributions to this legislative body and to
- 24 our state; and be it further
- 25 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
- 26 Representative Jones as a token of our appreciation for his service
- 27 and our best wishes in his future pursuits of peace and love.