

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.180

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

1 A resolution of tribute offered as a memorial for Andrea
2 Schroeder, member of the House of Representatives.

3 Whereas, The members of this legislative body were shaken and
4 saddened to learn of the passing of their colleague and friend,
5 Representative Andrea Schroeder. A tireless advocate for children
6 and all residents of the Forty-third District, Representative
7 Schroeder was passionate about public service and helping others to
8 her last day. Her courage, candor, compassion, sharp sense of
9 humor, and fun-loving nature will be greatly missed; and

10 Whereas, Andrea Schroeder was born in Detroit and raised in
11 Farmington Hills. She earned a Bachelor of Science degree in child
12 studies and early childhood education from Miami University in

1 Ohio. She also served as a pre-K and kindergarten teacher and
2 continued her devotion and dedication to young people in countless
3 ways, including several roles with schools and Parent-Teacher
4 Associations. She was a successful businesswoman, served as an
5 Independence Township trustee, and volunteered for her community
6 with the Clarkston Area Optimist Club and several other
7 organizations; and

8 Whereas, Although Representative Schroeder's time in Lansing
9 was sadly cut short, her legacy will be long-lasting both inside
10 and outside the Capitol. She continued to selflessly serve others
11 and put their needs before her own throughout her courageous fight
12 with cancer. She served on several committees during her time in
13 the House, and took on the role of Majority Whip this year, helping
14 her colleagues succeed and improve the Legislature's process; and

15 Whereas, Andrea Schroeder had a sincere desire to protect and
16 provide for young people. She worked to improve the government
17 systems that help guard vulnerable children, promoting legislation
18 to increase the efficiency of the Children's Ombudsman Office. She
19 advocated for the well-being of young people, supporting
20 accessibility of mental health resources for older students and
21 successfully sponsoring the inclusion of the suicide prevention
22 hotline on student ID cards; and

23 Whereas, Andrea Schroeder was also a loving wife and adoring
24 mother. Her family was her pride and joy. We offer our deepest
25 condolences to her husband Mark and children Maggie, Luke, and
26 Grace. May they take comfort in knowing that she made this
27 legislative body and our state a better place; now, therefore, be
28 it

29 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this

1 expression of our highest tribute to honor the memory of Andrea
2 Schroeder, a member of this legislative body from 2019 to 2021; and
3 be it further

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