HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.371

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

1 A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Kyra Bolden.

2 Whereas, This legislative body is pleased to honor and thank

3 Representative Kyra Bolden for her service. She tirelessly served

4 her constituents in the Thirty-fifth District, including the

5 communities of Southfield, Lathrup Village, Beverly Hills, Bingham

6 Farms, and Franklin; and

7 Whereas, As a lifelong resident of Michigan, Representative

Bolden is a committed and fearless leader of her community. She was

raised by parents Cheryl Gambrell and Donald Harris and is a proud

10 sister to Doctor Whitney Brown. She earned her bachelor's degree in

11 psychology from Grand Valley State University and a juris doctor

12 from the University of Detroit Mercy School of Law. Representative

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- 1 Bolden is also the wife of Doctor Gregory Bolden II, and a mother
- 2 to daughter, Emerson Bolden. As a result of her hard work and
- 3 experience, Representative Bolden was a court-appointed defense
- 4 attorney in the Forty-sixth District Court, served as a staff
- 5 attorney for the Wayne County Third Circuit Court, and worked as a
- 6 civil litigator in private practice. Representative Bolden has
- 7 further served her community through her involvement as the
- 8 Commissioner of the Southfield Total Living Commission, and as a
- 9 member of organizations such as the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority,
- 10 Inc.; National Congress of Black Women, Oakland County Chapter; and
- 11 the Women Lawyers Association of Michigan, Oakland County; and
- 12 Whereas, Representative Bolden was a leader in the Michigan
- 13 House of Representatives. Elected in 2018, she served on the
- 14 Insurance and the Judiciary Committee, as well as serving as the
- 15 minority vice chair for the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules
- 16 and as the Assistant Democratic Leader. Representative Bolden
- 17 worked successfully across party lines to protect vulnerable
- 18 Michiganders, but of all her accomplishments, she is most proud to
- 19 have passed legislation that protects survivors of sexual violence;
- 20 now, therefore, be it
- 21 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this
- 22 expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Kyra
- 23 Bolden for her many contributions to this legislative body and to
- 24 the state of Michigan; and be it further
- 25 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
- 26 Representative Bolden as evidence of our deepest gratitude and best
- 27 wishes.