HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.316

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

- 1 A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Graham Filler.
- 2 Whereas, We take this opportunity to honor Representative
- 3 Graham Filler as he brings to a close his tenure of service to the
- 4 people of Michigan as a member of the Michigan House of
- 5 Representatives. Throughout the last six years, Representative
- 6 Filler has exhibited leadership within the Legislature and
- 7 dedication to his constituents in the Ninety-third District, which
- 8 encompasses portions of Clinton, Gratiot, Ionia, Montcalm, and
- 9 Saginaw counties; and
- 10 Whereas, Elected to the House of Representatives in 2018,
- 11 Representative Filler entered public service with a wealth of
- 12 experience in law. He earned a juris doctor from the University of

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1 Detroit Mercy and graduated from Miami University with a bachelor's

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- 2 degree in law, politics, and history. As an Assistant Attorney
- 3 General for both the Michigan Attorney General's Office and the
- 4 Michigan Public Service Commission, he garnered expertise that has
- 5 been valuable in his service to the Legislature; and
- 6 Whereas, Representative Filler served as the chair of the
- 7 Judiciary Committee for two terms, where he worked diligently to
- 8 improve the administration of justice within the state. Notably, he
- 9 earned national attention for spearheading reforms to expand the
- 10 number of individuals eligible for expungement. He also endorsed
- 11 civil asset forfeiture reforms, protections for businesses from
- 12 COVID-19 liability, revisions to Michigan's sex offender registry,
- 13 and the preservation of background checks in the state; and
- 14 Whereas, In addition to serving on the Judiciary Committee,
- 15 Representative Filler served as the minority vice chair of the
- 16 Criminal Justice Committee and as a member of the House committees
- 17 on Agriculture, Elections and Ethics, Energy, Health Policy, and
- 18 Regulatory Reform. Representative Filler has been a strong advocate
- 19 of ensuring Michigan families have access to reliable and
- 20 affordable energy sources. During his time in office, he led the
- 21 effort to commission an independent study on nuclear energy
- 22 generation in Michigan. He has also been an ardent proponent of
- 23 agriculture on behalf of the Ninety-third District and Michigan
- 24 farmers across the state; now, therefore, be it
- 25 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this
- 26 expression of admiration and thanks to the Honorable Graham Filler
- 27 for his service to the people of this state as a member of this
- 28 legislative body; and be it further
- 29 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to

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- 1 Representative Filler as evidence of our appreciation and best
- 2 wishes.