

SENATE RESOLUTION NO.146

Senators Brinks and Nesbitt offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Kristen McDonald
2 Rivet.

3 Whereas, It is with gratitude that we recognize Senator
4 Kristen McDonald Rivet for her work on behalf of the citizens of
5 Michigan and, in particular, her constituents in the Thirty-fifth
6 District. Throughout her tenure in the Senate, Senator McDonald
7 Rivet's hard work benefited not only the people of her district but
8 all of Michigan's citizenry; and

9 Whereas, A proud resident of Bay City, Senator McDonald Rivet
10 holds a bachelor's degree from Michigan State University and a
11 master's degree in education and public administration from the
12 University of Michigan-Flint. Prior to joining the Legislature,
13 Senator McDonald Rivet was a leader in her community, igniting

1 systemic change to improve the lives of families and children in
2 Michigan. Senator McDonald Rivet served as the executive director
3 of the Michigan Head Start Association, president/CEO of Greater
4 Midland Inc., vice president of Michigan Future, Inc., and vice
5 president of the Skillman Foundation. She also served as a Bay
6 City Commissioner, the chief strategy officer for the Michigan
7 Health Improvement Alliance, and chief of staff for Michigan's
8 Department of Education. Senator McDonald Rivet and her husband,
9 Joseph, are the proud parents of six wonderful children; and

10 Whereas, Since her election to the Senate in 2022, Senator
11 McDonald Rivet has led the charge in passing legislation that
12 protects Michigan's workers, families, and children, including tax
13 cuts for working families and common sense gun violence prevention.
14 Senator McDonald Rivet served with distinction as the Assistant
15 Majority Floor Leader. She faithfully served as the chair of the
16 Appropriations Subcommittee on Joint Capital Outlay and vice chair
17 of the Senate Appropriations subcommittees on the Department of
18 Health and Human Services and Labor and Economic
19 Opportunity/Michigan Economic Development Corporations. Senator
20 McDonald Rivet also served as a member of the Senate Appropriations
21 subcommittees on Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy; Universities
22 and Community Colleges; and PreK-12. In addition, Senator McDonald
23 Rivet served as the vice chair of the Senate Committee on Energy
24 and Environment and served as a member of the Senate committees on
25 Appropriations, Economic and Community Development, and Education.
26 Senator McDonald Rivet's dedication and integrity stand as a clear
27 example of what it takes to be a successful public servant and
28 strong leader; now, therefore, be it

29 Resolved by the Senate, That we offer this expression of

1 tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Kristen McDonald Rivet
2 for her notable contributions to this legislative body and to our
3 state; and be it further

4 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
5 Senator McDonald Rivet as evidence of our appreciation and best
6 wishes as she heads to Congress to represent her district and the
7 great state of Michigan.