

Senator Emmons offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 119.

A resolution to recognize January 2018 as School Board Recognition Month.

Whereas, Michigan is home to more than 600 boards of education that work hard to enrich the lives of Michigan's students through education and who directly influences instruction in Michigan's public schools; and

Whereas, Article VII, Section 2, of the Michigan Constitution of 1963 states that providing for the education of Michigan's children is a fundamental duty of state government; and

Whereas, Our state's public education system is designed to meet the educational needs of all children and to empower them to become competent, productive contributors to society in this ever-changing world; and

Whereas, Members of local school boards are dedicated to children, learning, and community, and devote many hours of service to elementary and secondary public education as they continually strive for improvement, excellence, and progress in education; and

Whereas, Local school boards recognize that all children can be successful learners, especially when education is tailored to individual needs of the child; and

Whereas, Local school board members are exceptional people who have committed themselves to this duty by governing school districts and advancing student achievement in the schools and communities in which they serve; and

Whereas, During this month, we join the Michigan Association of School Boards, Michigan Department of Education, local school districts, and community organizations to recognize and raise awareness of the countless efforts and contributions of school boards and school board members throughout Michigan; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize January 2018 as School Board Recognition Month and urge all citizens to observe this momentous occasion.