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REPRESENTATIVE STEVE MARINO RECEIVES MICHIGAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPERS ASSOCIATION LEGISLATIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CHAMPION AWARD

Lansing, Michigan – December 17, 2020 – State Representative Steve Marino (R-Harrison Township) has been recognized as a 2020 Legislative Economic Development Champion by the Michigan Economic Developers Association (MEDA). Representative Marino was nominated by James McBryde, President and CEO, Middle Michigan Development Corporation.

MEDA is a professional society with members throughout the state that attract and grow business, create and retain jobs, and make our communities a better place to live. The Awards were developed in 2020 by the Association to recognize legislators that show a passion for championing economic development work by assisting economic development efforts that affect the entire state, assisting with local economic development projects, championing the restoration of funding for economic development, participating with their local economic development organization, or sponsoring economic development legislation. Nine other legislators from Michigan's House of Representative and Senate were awarded.

The reasons for the nomination that were listed by McBryde are fine examples of economic development advocacy on the state and local level. Representative Marino has assisted State Senator Ken Horn in getting key economic development bills through both legislative chambers and has been a strong voice in supporting funding for the Michigan Economic Development Corporation, including the restoration of Pure Michigan funding. Prior to being elected to the Michigan House, Representative Marino served on the Michigan Association of Counties Economic Development Committee, displaying long-term support.

MEDA thanks Representative Marino for his hard work in improving opportunities in our state by supporting economic development.

ABOUT MEDA

The Michigan Economic Developers Association has partnered with economic developers to grow their community in Michigan for 60 years. By providing education, networking, and advocacy, MEDA makes it possible for professionals to do their job more effectively and efficiently. To learn more, see www.medaweb.org.