



## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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### **REPRESENTATIVE KYRA BOLDEN RECEIVES MICHIGAN ECONOMIC DEVELOPERS ASSOCIATION LEGISLATIVE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CHAMPION AWARD**

**Lansing, Michigan – March 9, 2021** – State Representative Kyra Bolden (D-Southfield) has been recognized as a 2021 Legislative Economic Development Champion by the Michigan Economic Developers Association (MEDA). Representative Bolden was nominated by Frederick E. Zorn, Jr., CEcD, City Administrator, City of Southfield; Rochelle Freeman, Business and Economic Development Director, City of Southfield; and Al Aceves, Executive Director, Southfield Downtown Development Authority. The award was presented to her on March 9th during the Association’s Virtual Capitol Day event.

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. Three other legislators from Michigan’s House of Representatives and Senate were awarded in 2021.

Representative Bolden’s nomination came for her work in fighting for high-quality jobs, criminal justice reform, and a world-class education system in her district. While serving as a State Representative, Bolden has been assigned to committees that impact the socio-economic climate of our state, including: Ways and Means; Judiciary; Select Committee on Reducing Car Insurance Rates; Joint Committee on Administrative Rules - Democratic Vice Chair and Insurance. She has also proactively supported requests from the City of Southfield towards economic development issues.

In the nomination letter received from Zorn, Freeman, and Aceves, it was emphasized that, “State Rep. Kyra Bolden enthusiastically champions economic development in her district and for the state.”

#### **ABOUT MEDA**

The Michigan Economic Developers Association has partnered with economic developers to grow their community in Michigan for over 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](http://www.medaweb.org).