

News Release

Chairman Gingell appointed to Pontiac Promise Zone Authority Board of Directors

December 19, 2017, Pontiac, Mich. – Board Chairman Michael J. Gingell (R-Lake Orion) was recently appointed by Speaker Tom Leonard (R-DeWitt) to the Pontiac Promise Zone Authority Board of Directors for a term beginning January 1, 2018 and ending December 31, 2021.

“Education is the road to economic opportunity,” said Board Chairman Michael J. Gingell (R-Lake Orion). “I am honored to serve on the Pontiac Promise Zone Authority to provide young people in the Pontiac School District the opportunity to pursue higher education.”

The Pontiac Promise Zone provides financial assistance to students that live and attend school within the Pontiac School District to attend any college, university or trade school in Michigan. Students may receive up to \$3,000 each year for up to four (4) years. Students who live in Pontiac, Auburn Hills, Bloomfield Hills, Lake Orion, Rochester, Lake Angelus, Waterford and Sylvan Lake, and attend school within the Pontiac School District are eligible for assistance.

The ten-member Board of Directors includes the following individuals:

- Chair – Teresa A. Rodges, MSA
Executive Director, School of Nursing and Continuing Education, Oakland University
- Vice Chair – Lon Bone
Retired, Genisys Credit Union
- Treasurer – Henry V. Knight
Auburn Hills City Council
- Secretary – H. William Maxey
Pontiac Community Activist

- Nellie B. LaGarde
NBL Associates
- Keyon Payton
Pastor, New Bethel Baptist Church in Pontiac
- Christopher Northcross
Pontiac Planning Commissioner, Pontiac Community Activist
- Tim Meyer, PhD
Former Chancellor, Oakland Community College
- Tim Greimel
State Representative, Michigan
- Michael J. Gingell
Chairman, Oakland County Board of Commissioners

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