

STATE OF MICHIGAN



SPECIAL TRIBUTE

Centennial Anniversary American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences

WHEREAS, The mission of the American Association of Family & Consumer Sciences (AAFCS) is to provide leadership and support for professionals whose work assists individuals, families and communities in making informed decisions about their well being, relationships and resources to achieve optimal quality of life; and,

WHEREAS, The AAFCS believes in the family as a fundamental unit of society, embraces diversity and values all people, is dedicated to life-long learning and diverse scholarship, prepares new professionals, exemplifies integrity and ethical behavior, seeks new ideas and is open to change, and promotes an integrative and holistic approach to issues; and,


WHEREAS, AAFCS is the only national organization representing family and consumer sciences professionals across practice areas and content specializations; and,


WHEREAS, AAFCS membership consists of more than 6,000 professionals whose practice takes place in education, business, the non-profit sector, public and private agencies, and homes; and,

WHEREAS, AAFCS members provide research-based practical knowledge regarding everyday life, including life span development, personal behavior, housing and the environment, food, nutrition, and health, apparel and textiles, and resource management, so that youth, adults and public decision-makers can make sound choices that result in healthy, productive and fulfilling lives; and,

WHEREAS, AAFCS was founded as the America Home Economics Association in 1909, by Ellen H. Richards, the first female graduate and professor at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and a activist for consumer education; nutrition; child protection; industrial safety; public health; career education; women's rights; purity of air, food, and water; and the application of scientific and management principles to the issues of families;

NOW, THEREFORE, We do hereby congratulate the Michigan Association of Family and Consumers Sciences as it celebrates the Centennial Anniversary of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, January 2, 2009 – January 1, 2010.


Elizabeth S. Brater, State Senator
The Eighteenth District


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The Fifty-Fourth District


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The Ninety-Fourth Legislature
At Lansing
November 1, 2008

