



STATE OF MICHIGAN
STATE TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION



RESOLUTION 2016-01

TRIBUTE TO

Brenda J. O'Brien, P.E.

WHEREAS, Brenda J. O'Brien, P.E., has been a highly trusted leader at the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) for 28 years, beginning her career in 1988 as an Engineer Development Program participant, and after serving as a Construction Office engineer, followed by assistant resident engineer, was named project/resident engineer in the Brighton/Howell office for five years; Ms. O'Brien was named Transportation Service Center (TSC) manager for the Brighton TSC in 1996 before being promoted to engineer of Construction Field Services Division in 2003; and

WHEREAS, she has directed the day-to-day operations of the Construction Field Services Division in accordance with the mission of MDOT with a focus on quality, dedication, and loyalty; she has guided and facilitated the development of standards, specifications, and processes to improve product quality and statewide alignment, and guided research efforts in the areas of construction, geotechnical, pavements, and materials; she actively participated in state and national industry-related workgroups, with a focus on improving product quality, construction processes, and industry relationships; and

WHEREAS, she has represented MDOT on numerous statewide and national boards and committees, including a member of the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) Subcommittee on Construction (SOC), chair of the AASHTO SOC Construction Administration Section, member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, and member of the Board of Directors for the National Association of Women in Construction; and

WHEREAS, she piloted the TSC concept and led the statewide implementation of the concept as manager of the second TSC in the state in August 1996; and

WHEREAS, she has been recognized as a member of the Michigan Technological University Presidential Council of Alumnae, and the Michigan Technological University Academy of Civil and Environmental Engineers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the State Transportation Commission, on behalf of the people of Michigan, does hereby acknowledge the many valuable contributions made by Ms. Brenda O'Brien to promote quality government in our state, particularly in the field of transportation, and wish her all the best in the years ahead.

Adopted by the Michigan State Transportation Commission on March 24, 2016.

Original Signed

Todd A. Wyett
Chairman

Michigan State Transportation Commission