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## SBAM Names State Representative Steve Marino as Legislator of the Year

**LANSING, MI** – The Small Business Association of Michigan this week honored state Rep. Steve Marino as its 2021 Legislator of the Year.

"Rep. Marino's dedication to the needs of Michigan's small businesses has been extremely helpful, especially during these unprecedented times," said SBAM President Brian Calley. "Entrepreneurs can count on him to work hard on behalf of Michigan's small businesses and that's why he's an SBAM Legislator of the Year."

Prior to his election to the Michigan House of Representatives, Marino was a local business owner and Macomb County Commissioner. SBAM honored Rep. Marino for his strong support for the Entrepreneurship Led Economic Development legislation and his 100% pro-small business voting record.

"Michigan's small businesses are the backbone of our economy and have been through the ringer during this pandemic," said Marino of Harrison Township. "I'm proud to advocate for policies that support small businesses in Lansing and am honored to receive SBAM's Legislator of the Year award."

The award was presented on June 15 during SBAM's Annual Meeting, which was held virtually due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Rep. Marino was elected to the Michigan House in Nov. 2016 and represents Michigan's 24th House District, including Harrison Township and portions of Clinton and Macomb townships.

The Small Business Association of Michigan focuses solely on serving the needs of Michigan's small business community through advocacy, collaboration and buying power. Today they serve over 28,000 members in all 83 counties of Michigan. SBAM is located in Lansing, just one block from the Capitol.