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Senator Jacobs Honored For Work For Children By The Michigan Fatherhood Coalition

LANSING- Gilda Z. Jacobs (D-Huntington Woods) was honored recently with the 2008 Michigan Fatherhood Coalition's Child Advocate Award.

Senator Jacobs was honored for her work as the Minority Vice-Chair of the Senate Families and Human Services Committee, and her sponsorship and support of legislation to promote child health, safety and welfare. The Coalition specifically mentioned her work as a sponsor and co-sponsor in 2008 of legislation to expedite moving foster children into permanent placements.

"I thank the Coalition for this award, and for their help and advocacy for children," said Jacobs. "Working to improve the lives of children is working to improve the future of our communities, state and country. With the help of my colleagues on both sides of the aisle, we have been able to pass significant legislation that will improve the lives of Michigan's most vulnerable children. There is still much work to be done, and I look forward to continuing to advocate for our children."

Among Senator Jacobs' accomplishments is her sponsorship of the law that allows children to carry and self-administer asthma inhalers and/or epinephrine auto injectors while attending Michigan camps. Senator Jacobs is also a member of the Michigan Department of Human Services Child Welfare Improvement Task Force.

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Senator Gilda Jacobs represents the 14th Senate District, which includes Farmington, Farmington Hills, Ferndale, Hazel Park, Huntington Woods, Lathrup Village, Oak Park, Pleasant Ridge, Royal Oak Township, Southfield and Southfield Township. She is the Minority Vice Chair of the Campaign & Election Oversight, Families & Human Services and Finance committees. She is a member of the Economic Development & Regulatory Reform and Health Policy committees. She can be reached toll-free in Lansing at 1-888-937-4453.