

# Overheard: Reaction to Snyder's speech

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"He did a good job. He was very upbeat. The establishment of clarity as to the financial manager is very important. As a Detroit resident, I think that's very important. They need to clarify that."

-- *Rita Casey of Detroit, a professor at Wayne State University*

"I thought Gov. Snyder's speech was upbeat and optimistic. I appreciate that he didn't only focus on job growth, but also on education. I liked when he said that Michigan's crisis can be solved and we all have to work together to be part of the solution. It was obvious that our new governor has a well-thought-out plan for economic growth, which will lead to an improved quality of life in our state."

-- *Rabbi Jason Miller, 34, of Farmington Hills*

"When he started talking about 15 by '15 (an effort to lure 15,000 people to live in Midtown Detroit by 2015), I really liked that. I'm impressed, and I like him. I'm evidence-based, and when he's talking about measuring the progress, he's going to look at the results. That impressed me. I like that kind of geeky stuff."

-- *Felicia Wilson, 46, Southfield, a prosthodontist with a practice in Detroit's NewCenter area.*

"It exceeded my expectations. He has a plan, he wants results. I thought he accomplished his primary goal tonight, which was to try to restore that hope and confidence in

Michigan's future."

-- *Dennis Cowan, 54, a former Republican mayor of Royal Oak and*

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