

SR-171, As Adopted by Senate, April 28, 2016

Senator Ananich offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 171.

A resolution to commemorate April 28, 2016, as Workers' Memorial Day.

Whereas, Every year on April 28, communities and worksites around the world honor friends, family members, and colleagues who have been killed or injured on the job; and

Whereas, The Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics has reported that 4,679 fatal work injuries were recorded in the United States in 2014, an increase of 2 percent over the revised count of 4,585 fatal work injuries in 2013. There were 4,585 workers killed in 2013 by traumatic injuries, and an estimated 50,000 died from occupational diseases; and

Whereas, In 2014, 142 workers were lost through fatal workplace accidents in Michigan, and in 2014, there were 140,000 injuries and illnesses reported; and

Whereas, It is appropriate to honor the memory of the courageous and dedicated members of Michigan's labor force who have been injured, disabled, or died as a result of workplace accidents; and

Whereas, We remember those who have died in workplace catastrophes, suffered occupation-related diseases, or injured due to dangerous conditions; and

Whereas, Recognition of the integrity of Michigan's work force and its achievements on behalf of the economic growth of our state is necessary; and

Whereas, The Michigan Senate wishes to pay tribute to the workers who have died, been injured, or disabled in workplace accidents. We honor the contributions of Michigan's work force and call for increased workplace safety; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby commemorate April 28, 2016, as Workers' Memorial Day in Michigan.