

Rep. Kosowski offered the following resolution:

**House Resolution No. 253.**

A resolution to declare February 2018 as Career and Technical Education Month in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, February 1-28, 2018, has been designated Career and Technical Education Month by the Association for Career and Technical Education; and

Whereas, Profound economic and technological changes in our society are rapidly reflected in the structure and nature of work, thereby placing new and additional responsibilities on our educational system; and

Whereas, Career and technical education provides Michigan residents with a school-to-careers connection and is the backbone of a strong, well-educated workforce, which fosters productivity in business and industry and contributes to Michigan's leadership in the American and international marketplace; and

Whereas, Career and technical education gives high school students experience in practical, meaningful applications of skills such as reading, writing and mathematics, thus improving the quality of their education, motivating potential dropouts and giving all students leadership opportunities in their fields and in their communities; and

Whereas, Career and technical education offers individuals lifelong opportunities to learn new skills, which provide them with career choices and potential satisfaction; and

Whereas, The ever-increasing cooperative efforts of career and technical educators, business, and industry stimulate the growth and vitality of our local economy and that of the entire nation by preparing graduates for career fields forecast to experience the largest and fastest growth in the next decade; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare February 2018 as Career and Technical Education Month in the state of Michigan.