

The Speaker, on behalf of the entire membership of the House of Representatives, offered the following resolution:

**House Resolution No. 21.**

A resolution of tribute offered as a memorial for Stanley J. Davis, former member of the House.

Whereas, With great respect for the unselfishness that marked his entire life, we offer this expression of tribute to honor the memory of Stanley J. Davis. The example of his commitment to others through public service benefited his home community of Grand Rapids and all of Michigan. To his family, we extend our sincerest condolences; and

Whereas, In many ways, the life of Stanley Davis represented the fulfillment of the American dream. Mr. Davis was born in Poland and came to this land of opportunity as a boy with his family. Through hard work, personal integrity, and drive, he found success as a small businessman, opening a shoe repair business and, later, a flower shop. With his abiding affection for his adopted homeland, however, personal achievements were not enough, and he directed his energies to public service; and

Whereas, Stanley Davis was elected to five terms as ward commissioner and four terms as mayor in Grand Rapids. Under his leadership, Grand Rapids became the nation's first city with fluoridated water, and he also championed urban renewal efforts. In 1965, he brought his energies and experiences to the Michigan House of Representatives with the first of his four consecutive terms. As a lawmaker, Representative Davis earned the admiration and trust of his colleagues, and he served as the Speaker Pro Tem for two terms. In this role, as with all aspects of his life, his character set a standard of service that will long be remembered; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer our highest tribute to honor the memory of Stanley J. Davis, a member of this legislative body from 1965 to 1972; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Davis family as evidence of our condolences.