

SCR35, As Adopted by Senate, November 27, 2012

Senator Richardville offered the following concurrent resolution:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 35.

A concurrent resolution of tribute offered as a memorial for Hal W. Ziegler, former member of the House of Representatives and the Senate.

Whereas, The members of the Michigan Legislature were saddened to learn of the recent passing of Hal Ziegler. An inspired and energetic lawmaker and politically active to the very end, he will be remembered for his intelligence, humor, and strong belief in working together, regardless of political affiliation, to solve the problems facing our state and nation; and

Whereas, Upon graduation from Jackson High School, Hal Ziegler would go on to earn his bachelor's degree from Hillsdale College and a law degree from Wayne State University. He proudly served our country in the 1950s as a member of the U.S. Army and would later serve as an assistant prosecuting attorney and circuit court commissioner in Jackson County. Lead by his passion for politics, he was first elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in 1966. Eight years later, he would move on to the Michigan Senate; and

Whereas, For twelve years, Hal Ziegler worked hard to represent the interests of the residents of his native Jackson County and the surrounding counties. He served on the Judiciary Committee in both chambers as well as committees dealing with elections, urban affairs, commerce, and veterans affairs. Smart and witty, he had the ability to work with colleagues on both sides of the aisle to achieve solutions that benefited every Michigander; and

Whereas, Hal Ziegler's passion for politics did not end when he left the Legislature. He remained politically involved until his death. Most recently, he had become active in the "No Labels" movement, championing bipartisan cooperation to solve our nation's problems, and had begun participating in a weekly news radio segment offering his perspective on issues and answering questions; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That we offer this expression of our highest tribute to honor the memory of Hal W. Ziegler, a member of the House of Representatives from 1967 to 1974 and a member of the Senate from 1975 to 1978; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Ziegler family as evidence of our lasting esteem for his memory and contributions.