

Senator Richardville offered the following concurrent resolution:

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 12.

A concurrent resolution of tribute offered as a memorial for James Damman, former Lieutenant Governor and former member of the House of Representatives.

Whereas, It is with great respect for his contributions to our state as a businessman, legislator, and Lieutenant Governor that we honor the memory of James Damman. We also offer our sincere condolences to his family and wish them to know of the gratitude that his home state has for his distinguished public service; and

Whereas, A native of Grosse Pointe Park, a graduate of the University of Detroit, and a veteran of service with the United States Army, James Damman was a successful businessman prior to turning his skills and energies to the civic arena in the Troy community. In addition to his involvement with various organizations, he served on the Troy City Council. In 1971, he brought his business savvy and commitment to others to Lansing for the first of his two terms in the House of Representatives; and

Whereas, A member of the House Appropriations Committee for 1973-74, James Damman was recognized for his knowledge and effectiveness, and in 1975, he was elected as Michigan's Lieutenant Governor, serving with Governor William Milliken. In this responsibility, his notable leadership included working on such key issues as taxation reform, substance abuse, and equal employment opportunity in our state; and

Whereas, Jim Damman's concern for others and his penchant for leadership continued to mark his life long after he left elective office. Following achievements in real estate, he founded a successful technology company in Texas and remained active in charitable groups. Clearly, this talented and devoted family man touched the lives of many over the years who remain forever grateful for the gifts he shared; 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 James Damman, Michigan's Lieutenant Governor from 1975 to 1978 and a member of the Michigan House of Representatives from 1971 to 1974; and be it further

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