Reps. Switalski, Barnett, Bauer, Brown, Constan, Crawford, Darany, Haugh, Heise, Knollenberg, LeBlanc, Liss, McCann and Slavens offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 66.

A resolution to declare May 2011 as Asian Pacific Heritage Month in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, We are proud to join with the Asian Pacific American community of Michigan and their families and friends as they celebrate contributions they have made throughout the entire state. This recognition is a reflection of unselfishness and commitment to the common good that is most commendable; and

Whereas, It is with pride and gratitude that we welcome this opportunity to salute the many ways in which the Asian Pacific community has given its time and energy to help in time of need; and

Whereas, Like their counterparts across the country, the Asian Pacific American community in Michigan is committed to strengthening our public institutions, as well as eliminating prejudices, stereotypes, and ignorance. They accomplish this goal by fostering understanding and promoting awareness of Asian Pacific contributions to social, economic, cultural, and political life in the United States. Their professional and civic involvement will continue to enrich our state far into the twenty-first century; and

Whereas, The heritage of the Asian Pacific people enrich our own culture; for America is a melting pot, and America's culture is a rich blend of many cultures. This legislative body welcomes the heritage, culture, and contributions of the Asian Pacific American community to our state and our nation; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare May 2011 as Asian Pacific Heritage Month in the state of Michigan. We recognize the contributions that the Asian Pacific American community of our state has made.