Reps. Hammel, Barnett, Constan, Darany, Durhal, Heise, Kurtz, LeBlanc, Lipton, Liss, Poleski, Segal, Slavens and Talabi offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 199.

A resolution to declare May 1, 2012, as Law Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The American justice system is charged with upholding and protecting the rights, as well as the freedom and justice of all Americans; and

Whereas, In 1961, Congress issued a joint resolution declaring May 1 as Law Day, which is a national day to recognize and celebrate our justice system and the rule of law; and

Whereas, The Law Day 2012 theme, "No Courts, No Justice, No Freedom," provides an opportunity to highlight the crucial role of our courts and to foster a better understanding of the judiciary; and

Whereas, We urge all community residents, school administrators, teachers and students, business and civic leaders, legal professionals and law students to support this national day by participating in Law Day activities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare May 1, 2012, as Law Day in the state of Michigan. We urge acknowledgement of the importance of our legal and judicial systems with appropriate ceremonies and activities, and to display the flag of the United States and the state of Michigan in support of this educational observance; and be it further

Resolved, That the citizens, schools, businesses, media, religious institutions, civic, and service organizations of the state of Michigan are encouraged to use this occasion to commemorate Law Day.