

Rep. Johnson offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 284.

A resolution to declare May 31, 2012, as Silo Safety Awareness Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Silos play an important role in the storage of agricultural products, but can pose a significant risk to those who work within them; and

Whereas, Accidents occur in Michigan and throughout the country each year within silos. Many of these tragedies could have been avoided with additional caution and an awareness of safety measures; and

Whereas, Workers within silos must always be conscious of basic silo safety rules. These rules include: ropes or safety harnesses are essential, crusted grain should never be walked on, a silo should never be entered from the bottom when material is collected to the sides of the bin or bridged overhead, tools that are used should not conduct electricity nor create sparks, and other workers should be present to assist and supervise if at all possible; and

Whereas, In memory of those who have been injured or killed while working in silos, it is our intent to help raise awareness about the inherent dangers that are present; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare May 31, 2012, as Silo Safety Awareness Day in the state of Michigan.