

Senator Nofs offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 68.

A resolution of tribute offered to honor Monica Martinez upon the completion of her term on the Michigan Public Service Commission.

Whereas, It is a great pleasure to extend this expression of our thanks and appreciation to Monica Martinez for her longstanding commitment to public service and outstanding leadership on the Michigan Public Service Commission; and

Whereas, During her term, Commissioner Martinez has been an innovative leader in consumer education and awareness efforts promoting low-income and senior programs, energy affordability and efficiency, and the value of generation resource diversity; and

Whereas, Commissioner Martinez's active role in the implementation of energy-efficiency policy and Renewable Portfolio Standards in Michigan led to her selection as the Great Lakes Renewable Energy Association 2009 Leader of the Year; and

Whereas, Her distinguished service has garnered national acclaim resulting in her election as Mid-America Regulatory Conference president and vice president of the Organization of MISO States during her tenure on the Michigan Public Service Commission; and

Whereas, Commissioner Martinez is also a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners, serving on the Consumer Affairs and Telecommunications Committees; and

Whereas, Prior to her appointment to the Public Service Commission, Commissioner Martinez served the citizens of Michigan as Governor Granholm's deputy director of Legislative Affairs and as a senior policy advisor in the Senate; and

Whereas, Her commitment to serving others is evident through her leadership as liturgical minister at her church and tireless pro-bono consultation to many nonprofit charities; and

Whereas, Commissioner Martinez's intelligence, vision, and integrity have earned her recognition and our deepest appreciation; and

Whereas, We wish Monica the best of health, happiness, and fulfillment in all future endeavors; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we offer this expression of our highest tribute to honor Monica Martinez; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Monica Martinez as a token of our esteem.