

The Speaker, on behalf of the entire membership of the House of Representatives, offered the following resolution:

**House Resolution No. 453.**

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Kenneth Kurtz.

Whereas, The members of this legislative body are proud to offer this expression of gratitude and esteem to Representative Kenneth Kurtz for his service to the residents of the Fifty-eighth District and the citizens of this entire state; and

Whereas, Kenneth Kurtz was elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in 2008 after a long and distinguished career as an owner and operator in the funeral home business. This native of Kalamazoo earned his credentials in mortuary science from Worsham School of Mortuary Science in Chicago. Additionally, a former pastor, he attended Emmanuel Bible College in Kitchener, Ontario, Canada and Bethel College in Mishawka, Indiana; and

Whereas, Representative Kurtz served as a tireless champion for the most vulnerable in our state as chair of the Families, Children, and Seniors Committee. He has also lent his insight and voice to legislation undertaken by the Agriculture and Health Policy committees. Representative Kurtz's effectiveness as a legislator has had a positive impact on the lives of the citizens of the Fifty-eighth District, and his leadership will be truly missed; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we pay tribute to the Honorable Kenneth Kurtz for his outstanding commitment to the people of the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Kurtz as evidence of our esteem.