

Rep. Zemke offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 232.

A resolution to condemn President Trump's offensive remarks degrading immigrants and their countries of origin.

Whereas, During a meeting with lawmakers to discuss bipartisan immigration legislation on January 11, 2018, President Trump made degrading and offensive comments about immigrants, the people of Haiti, and countries in Africa. The President's comments reflect his un-American desire to exclude people from immigrating to the United States based on their race and national origin; and

Whereas, Diversity is one of our country's greatest strengths. America is bonded by our values and ideals, not our race, ethnicity, religion, or birthplace. Seeking to prevent people from coming to the United States on the basis of their appearance, beliefs, or national origin is unacceptable, unkind, and divisive. People who wish to come to the United States for a better life should be welcomed and celebrated, not demeaned and insulted; and

Whereas, Speaking about other nations in a derogatory manner diminishes the United States' standing abroad and makes it harder to work with other countries to solve challenges on the world stage. The United States relies on international partnerships for security, public health, and economic development. Straining those relationships by insulting people from other countries makes the American people less safe and prosperous; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we condemn President Trump's offensive remarks degrading immigrants and their countries of origin; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.