

MICHIGAN SENATE

Senate Resolution No. 185

Offered by Senators Shirkey, Ananich, Alexander, Barrett, Bayer, Bizon, Brinks, Bullock, Bumstead, Chang, Daley, Geiss, Hertel, Hollier, Horn, Huizenga, Irwin, Johnson, LaSata, Lauwers, MacDonald, McBroom, McCann, McMorrow, Moss, Nesbitt, Outman, Polehanki, Runestad, Santana, Schmidt, Stamas, Theis, VanderWall, Victory, Wojno, Wozniak, Zorn and Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist II

A RESOLUTION OF TRIBUTE FOR THE HONORABLE CURTIS HERTEL, JR.

WHEREAS, It is with distinct pleasure that we recognize Senator Curtis Hertel, Jr. During his time in this legislative body, he has faithfully and honorably served his constituents in the Twenty-third District which includes many communities in Ingham County as well as the residents of Michigan; and

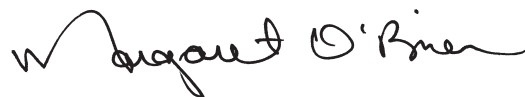
WHEREAS, Senator Curtis Hertel, Jr. was born and raised in Michigan. As the son of the late Curtis Hertel, Sr., who was the co-speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives and served eighteen years in the Michigan Legislature, Senator Hertel grew up with a passion for public policy. He is a proud graduate of Michigan State University's James Madison College, where he earned a bachelor's degree in social relations. Senator Hertel grew up surrounded by the tradition of public service with multiple family members having served in the Legislature; it was a natural path for him to also serve the residents of our great state. Past roles have laid the foundation for his legislative career. He worked for the Michigan House Democratic Caucus and worked as a policy analyst and legislative liaison with the Michigan Department of Community Health. He served on the Ingham County Board of Commissioners from 2001 to 2008 and served as the Ingham County Register of Deeds from 2009 to 2014. As an Ingham County Commissioner, he championed a living wage ordinance and the Ingham County Health Plan, the latter becoming a model across the country. Senator Hertel and his wife, Elizabeth, are proud parents to their four children: CJ, Nathan, Lee, and Jack; and

WHEREAS, Senator Hertel was first elected to the Michigan Senate in 2014. During his time, he was greatly passionate about his legislative duties and priorities. He served as a member of the committees on Banking and Financial Institutions, Health Policy, Administrative Rules, Regulatory Reform, Health Policy and Human Services, and the appropriations subcommittees on Capital Outlay, and Universities and Community Colleges. Additionally, he served as minority vice chair of the committees on Commerce, Banking and Financial Institutions, Health Policy, Advice and Consent, Appropriations, the Appropriations Subcommittee on Health/Human Services, Higher Education, and the Appropriations Subcommittee on Labor and Economic Opportunity/MEDC. Senator Hertel has worked tirelessly on legislation to expand access to health care, reduce the occurrence of sexual assault on college campuses, ensure sustainable funding for indigent hospice, and protect all vulnerable Michiganders from predatory lending. Moreover, he successfully partnered with his brother, Representative Kevin Hertel, to establish Wyatt's Law, a Central Registry for Child Abuse and Neglect and worked across the aisle on a sports gaming package ensuring sustainable funding for the First Responders Presumed Coverage Fund; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That we offer this resolution of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Curtis Hertel, Jr. for his notable contributions to this legislative body and to our state; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Senator Hertel as evidence of our gratitude and best wishes for success in the future.

Adopted by the Senate, December 7, 2022.



Secretary of the Senate