

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 183

Senators Shirkey and Ananich offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Ken Horn.

2 Whereas, It is with gratitude that we recognize Senator Ken
3 Horn for his work on behalf of the citizens of Michigan. Throughout
4 his tenure, Senator Horn's hard work has benefited his constituents
5 in the Thirty-second District of Saginaw and Genesee counties; and

6 Whereas, Senator Horn's personal experiences prior to taking
7 office reflect a deep commitment to public service. Senator Horn
8 owned and operated Horn's Restaurant in Frankenmuth for nearly 15
9 years, served as a Saginaw County Commissioner for 16 years, and
10 served as vice president for donor services at the Saginaw
11 Community Foundation. Senator Horn holds a bachelor's degree in
12 criminal justice from Concordia University, completed Michigan
13 State University's Political Leadership Program, graduated from the

1 Henry Toll Fellowship Program, and was recently awarded an honorary
2 Doctor of Laws Degree from Saginaw Valley State University. His
3 active engagement with many organizations included the White House
4 Conference on Tourism, Habitat for Humanity, and the Council of
5 State Governments' Midwest Conference, which he chaired.
6 Furthermore, he was appointed by Governor Engler in 2002 to the
7 Michigan Travel Commission. Most importantly, Senator Horn is the
8 dedicated husband to his wife, Veronica, proud father to his two
9 children, Kevin, his wife Ruth, and Andrea, and devoted grandfather
10 to Liam, Aaliyah, and their angel, Zellie, who is terribly missed;
11 and

12 Whereas, During his time in the House from 2007-2012 and in
13 the Senate since 2015, Senator Horn, a first generation American,
14 has put service to his constituents above all else as a zealous
15 advocate for the hardworking people of Michigan. He served with
16 distinction as the chair of the committees on Economic and Small
17 Business Development and Economic Development and International
18 Investment as well as the Appropriations subcommittees on Capital
19 Outlay and Labor and Economic Development/MEDC. Additionally,
20 Senator Horn served honorably as the vice chair of the committees
21 on Energy and Technology, Education and Career Readiness, and
22 Transportation as well as Appropriations Subcommittee on
23 Universities and Community Colleges. Finally, Senator Horn served
24 as a member of the Senate Committees on Insurance and Banking,
25 Insurance, and Energy and Technology and as a member of the
26 Michigan Legislative Council. His proudest accomplishments in
27 economic development include establishing the Strategic Outreach
28 and Attraction Reserve Fund, and also advocating for Pure Michigan.
29 Senator Horn has championed career readiness for all Michiganders

1 by sponsoring and supporting the Skilled Trades Training Act, the
2 Occupational Licensing bill, Good Jobs for Michigan, and the Going
3 Pro Talent Fund; now, therefore, be it.

4 Resolved by the Senate, That we offer this expression of
5 tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Ken Horn for his notable
6 contributions to this legislative body and to our state; and be it
7 further

8 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
9 Senator Ken Horn as evidence of our appreciation and best wishes as
10 he leaves this legislative body.