

Reps. Bennett, Accavitti, Adamini, Anderson, Brandenburg, Brown, Byrnes, Byrum, Condino, Donigan, Espinoza, Farrah, Gillard, Gleason, Gonzales, Hopgood, Kehrl, Kolb, Kooiman, Kathleen Law, Lemmons, III, Lemmons, Jr., Lipsey, Meisner, Miller, Murphy, Phillips, Polidori, Proos, Sak, Spade, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Wojno, Zelenko, Caul and McConico offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 119.

A resolution honoring 120 years of United Labor in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, With deep appreciation of the hard work and dedication of labor unions to improve the lives of American workers, we honor our union brothers and sisters upon the occasion of Labor Day, September 5, 2005. As we join together to celebrate 120 years of United Labor across our state and nation, we remember the tumultuous beginning of the labor movement, which saw gains for workers in safe workplaces, reasonable workdays, equitable pay, and benefits; and

Whereas, Labor Day is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers and is a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country; and

Whereas, The US Department of Labor states the vital force of labor has added materially to the highest standard of living and the greatest production the world has ever known and has brought American families closer to the realization of our traditional ideals of economic and political democracy; and

Whereas, It is appropriate, therefore, that the nation pay tribute on Labor Day to the creator of so much of the nation's strength, freedom and leadership—the American worker; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That members of this legislative body honor 120 years of United Labor in the state of Michigan. We offer this expression of heartfelt appreciation of the American worker; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to West Michigan United Labor as a token of our esteem.