Reps. Slavens, Booher, Cushingberry, Huckleberry, Leland, Lemmons, Neumann, Valentine, Ball, Lisa Brown, Terry Brown, Constan, Dean, Durhal, Geiss, Haugh, Robert Jones, Kandrevas, Lahti, Liss, Mayes, Polidori, Proos, Roberts, Rogers, Scripps, Slezak, Spade, Stanley, Switalski, Hansen and LeBlanc offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 166.

A resolution declaring November 18, 2009, as Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Awareness Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The state of Michigan has long been concerned with the health of its citizens; and

Whereas, Chronic lung diseases, known collectively as chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD), is a slow, progressive and irreversible disease of the airways that affects over 16 million Americans; and

Whereas, COPD is the fourth leading cause of death in the nation; and

Whereas, Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease cost the United States an estimated \$32 billion a year; and

Whereas, Awareness, early detection and treatment are crucial in the prevention or slowing of the spread of lung disease; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare November 18, 2009, as Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease Awareness Day in the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That we believe that the citizens of Michigan deserve the opportunity to grow, thrive, be healthy, informed and aware of their respiratory health and of the factors that affect that health.