The Speaker on behalf of the entire membership of the House of Representatives, offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 370.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Goeff Hansen.

Whereas, It is with great appreciation that we thank Representative Hansen for his service to the state as his tenure in this legislative body concludes. He has been dedicated in service to his constituents in Lake, Newaygo, and Oceana Counties; and

Whereas, A long-time resident of Hart, Goeff Hansen faced the challenges of serving customers and managing employees as the owner and operator of a small business. His strong background in business has been highlighted by his years as an owner and operator of Hansen Foods stores in Hart and Bear Lake, and Hansen Distributing. Goeff has been a fixture in his community, serving others as an EMT and volunteer firefighter, member of various local boards and councils, Hart Township Supervisor, and coaching numerous youth, middle school, and high school sports; and

Whereas, As a legislator since 2005, Representative Hansen began his service to the state as a member of the appropriations committee and faced the daunting task of charting a course through the economic downturn. He has been an advocate for the state's strong, prominent, and growing agricultural industry and worked to protect the state programs supporting the agriculture industry. Representative Hansen has been a voice for recreational interests, sponsoring legislation that created a new process for determining special watercraft rules for inland lakes, and providing citizens with greater input and more consistency in the decision-making process; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we commend and thank Representative Goeff Hansen for his service in this legislative body; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Hansen as evidence of our gratitude and best wishes.