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

House Resolution No. 391.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable John Proos.

Whereas, It is with great appreciation for his tenure as a member of the House of Representatives that we join to thank the Honorable John Proos. Representative Proos has been a tireless advocate for his community. He gained thorough knowledge of local needs working in private business and as a staff member for Congressman Fred Upton, and through his work with the Lakeland Regional Health System Community Benefits Committee and the Benton Harbor Area Schools. Representative Proos's election to the House of Representatives in 2004 provided him another avenue to address the challenges faced by his community; and

Whereas, Since coming to the Capitol, Representative Proos has had the opportunity to address the state's economic issues as a member of the Appropriations Committee, serving as Minority Vice Chair of the Corrections and Human Services Subcommittees. He is also a member of the Joint Capital Outlay and Energy and Technology Committees. Representative Proos has worked to encourage small business opportunities, reduce the burden on Michigan business, and protect the environment of the state; and

Whereas, While serving in the Michigan Legislature, John Proos continues to be active in his community as a member of the Rotary Club of St. Joseph/Benton Harbor and the United Way of Southwest Michigan. He is a board member of the Berrien Community Foundation and a member of the Coloma American Legion Post 362. Representative Proos's dedication and determination to improve the opportunities of the citizens of the state will continue to benefit our residents through the new challenges before him; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this resolution as an expression of our gratitude to the Honorable John Proos for his efforts with this legislative body; and be it further

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