

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

House Resolution No. 393.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Tory Rocca.

Whereas, It is a privilege to join together to pay tribute to Representative Tory Rocca as he brings to a close his tenure in the House of Representatives. His early interest in serving the public led him to Lansing where his education and work experience were put to service for the people of his district and the entire state; and

Whereas, Tory Rocca attended the University of Michigan, where he graduated with distinction from the School of Business Administration. He then went on to earn a law degree from the University of Michigan Law School. He practiced law for several years, gaining experience in the impact of our laws on our economy and society in the fields of medical malpractice defense, business law, and product liability; and

Whereas, First elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in 2004, Representative Rocca went on to earn the confidence of his constituents and was returned to Lansing in the next two elections. His experience was an asset that guided his participation in committee assignments overseeing judicial, veterans, and conservation issues. He served as both the chair and minority vice chair of the Regulatory Reform Committee during his tenure. As he served in the legislative process, Representative Rocca maintained his commitment to make state government more accessible to the people of his district, rather than a distant force without apparent relevance to their lives; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we honor Representative Tory Rocca as he concludes his three terms of service with the Michigan House of Representatives; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Rocca as a symbol of our respect and thanks.