

Reps. Walsh, Agema, Byrnes, Denby, Genetski, Haines, Hildenbrand, Rick Jones, Lahti, LeBlanc, Lund, Meekhof, Meltzer, Schuitmaker, Sheltroun, Tyler, Hansen, Knollenberg, Kowall, Leland, Marleau and Rocca offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 124.

A resolution to memorialize the United States Congress to enact the Automobile Dealer Economic Rights Restoration Act of 2009.

Whereas, Automobile dealers are an asset to automobile manufacturers that make it possible to penetrate communities and sell automobiles nationally. In addition, consumers benefit from greater choice, better service, and competitive prices when the automotive dealership marketplace is driven by competition and where government policy creates a fair free market environment based on performance, instead of politics; and

Whereas, The economic health of neighboring businesses and restaurants depend on the viability of automobile dealerships. Dealerships have long stood as part of the fabric of a community by serving customers, providing jobs, contributing to local charities, and participating in civic groups and activities; and

Whereas, Automobile manufacturers obtain benefits from having a national dealer network at no material cost to the manufacturers. Historically, automobile dealers have had franchise agreement protections under state law. In Michigan, for example, the provisions of 1981 PA 118 regulate the interaction between automobile manufacturers and dealers; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we hereby memorialize the United States Congress to enact the Automobile Dealer Economic Rights Restoration Act of 2009 (H.R. 2796); and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.