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

House Resolution No. 361.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Lee Gonzales.

Whereas, It is with deep appreciation that we honor Representative Lee Gonzales as he completes his service with the Michigan House of Representatives. For the last six years, he has fought for the residents of the Flint area and Genesee County as their representative in the Legislature; and

Whereas, Lee Gonzales' time in the House of Representatives represents the most recent chapter in a long and distinguished career in public service. Having received a bachelor's degree in urban administration and a master's degree in public administration from the University of Michigan-Flint, he has served in numerous capacities at the local, state, and federal level. He held positions in U.S. Representative Dale E. Kildee's office, the Blanchard administration, and the Michigan Department of Agriculture. Prior to his election to the Michigan House of Representatives in 2004, he had served over a decade as Genesee County assistant treasurer and development director; and

Whereas, As a member of the House of Representatives, Lee Gonzales has been a dedicated advocate for Michigan's workers and creating the foundation for a stronger and healthier state moving forward. As a member of the Appropriations Committee and chair of the committee's Transportation Subcommittee, Representative Gonzales has worked tirelessly to balance the state budget in one of the worst economic climates in nearly a century; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this expression of thanks to Representative Lee Gonzales as he completes his tenure with the House of Representatives; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Gonzales and his family as evidence of our gratitude for his service to his district and our entire state.