

Senators Schuitmaker, Proos, Nofs, Booher, Hansen and Robertson offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 65.

A resolution to commemorate June 2013 as the official start to the summer season in Michigan and reaffirm our commitment to the tourism industry in our state.

Whereas, The state of Michigan has long been a destination for tourists, whether it is to witness the majestic beauty of the Great Lakes or enjoy the comforts of our small towns, and summer in this state is surpassed by none; and

Whereas, Michigan is a place where unspoiled nature can be seen, honest-to-goodness character is revived, and where the entire family can spend time together; and

Whereas, The abundance of state parks and waterways offer visitors and residents alike endless opportunities to take in the sights. Whether it is biking, hiking, kayaking, canoeing, or fishing, the trails and waterways offer miles and miles of beautiful terrain and adventure; and

Whereas, Michigan's 3,200 miles of shoreline along the Great Lakes has sandy beaches that beckon all to take advantage of the glorious sights. The Sleeping Bear Dunes alone are considered one of the most beautiful places in America; and

Whereas, The vast woodlands of Michigan invite adventurers to embark on an exploration or a chance to sit peacefully in the serenity of nature and the state's pristine camping grounds. RV parks and resorts offer a place to stay and relax; and

Whereas, Michigan's family entertainment centers, fun parks, art fairs, festivals, and carnivals are unrivaled. The golf courses, restaurants, and hotels that the state offers are beyond comparison. The vineyards and farmers' markets excite the palate with fine wine and fresh vegetables and invite food connoisseurs and amateurs alike to sample all of Michigan's culinary delights; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby commemorate the month of June 2013 as the official start to the summer season in Michigan and reaffirm our commitment to tourism in our state.