

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

House Resolution No. 207.

A resolution of tribute offered as a memorial for Steve Andrews, former member of the House of Representatives.

Whereas, It is with great sadness that the members of this legislative body learned of the passing of Steve Andrews. Representative Andrews was a trusted and passionate public servant who worked tirelessly to improve the lives of his constituents in the 106th District and the people of the state of Michigan; and

Whereas, Steve Andrews served his country with distinction in the United States Navy during the Vietnam War, working as a medic attached to the First Marine Division. He earned the Navy Commendation Medal and the Purple Heart during his three years of service. He attended Central Michigan University, Eastern Michigan University, and Michigan State University and found a career in business before his election to the House of Representatives in 1978; and

Whereas, Representative Andrews was known as a hard-working legislator with a sterling reputation. He was respected on both sides of the aisle and cared deeply about his constituents. Representative Andrews served on a variety of committees during his two terms, including Education, Judiciary, Marine Affairs, Military and Veterans' Affairs, and Senior Citizens and Retirement, in addition to being elected as assistant minority caucus chairman; and

Whereas, Steve Andrews' efforts to improve his community did not end when he left Lansing in 1982. He opened a pottery shop with his wife and supported summer art shows in the area. Steve Andrews also could not keep himself away from the public arena. He helped local candidates as a campaign advisor, worked as a Friend of the Court, and served on the boards of the Petoskey Regional Chamber of Commerce and North Central Michigan College; and

Whereas, Steve Andrews was a wonderful legislator and exemplary citizen. Upon his passing, we offer our condolences to his family and friends. We hope that they may find comfort in the knowledge that the community as a whole shares in their bereavement and that the legacy of Steve Andrews' contributions will long continue to enrich our state; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this expression of our highest tribute to honor the memory of Steve Andrews, a member of this legislative body from 1979 to 1982; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Andrews family as evidence of our lasting esteem for his memory.