

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

House Resolution No. 443.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Klint Kesto.

Whereas, It is with great appreciation for his commitment to the people of the Thirty-ninth District, as well as the entire state, that we honor Representative Klint Kesto on his retirement from the Michigan House of Representatives after six years of dedicated service; and

Whereas, A graduate of the University of Michigan and Wayne State University Law School, Klint Kesto came to the Legislature with a distinguished record in public service. Having previously held posts with the U.S. Department of Energy and Department of Justice, he served more than five years as a prosecuting attorney with the Wayne County Prosecutor's office. An active member of the Chaldean community, he was a member of the Chaldean American Chamber of Commerce board, and in addition to the American Bar Association and State Bar of Michigan, a member of the Chaldean American Bar Association. Upon his election, he became the first Chaldean member of this body; and

Whereas, Representative Kesto's tenure in the House of Representatives has been well served since 2013 by his business acumen, leadership, and tireless effort to make Michigan a better place to live and work. Through his leadership, including as chair of the Committee on Law and Justice, Representative Kesto has sought to reform state sentencing guidelines. He has worked to protect first responders from hate crimes, prohibit individuals from using positions of authority to intimidate people wishing to report crimes, and reform the state's sexual assault laws. The counsel of Representative Kesto will be missed; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Klint Kesto for his notable contributions to this legislative body and to our state; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Kesto as evidence of our gratitude and best wishes.