

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

House Resolution No. 477.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Samir Singh.

Whereas, It is a pleasure for the members of this legislative body to commend and thank Representative Sam Singh as he completes his legislative service with the House of Representatives. For six years, he has been a reasoned and impassioned voice for the people of the Sixty-ninth District and the entire state of Michigan; and

Whereas, A second generation American, Sam Singh has pursued a life of public service and giving back to his community. He graduated from Michigan State University with a bachelor's degree in history and soon after was elected to the East Lansing City Council. He served for 10 years on the council and then a term as mayor. During this time, he also led the Michigan Nonprofit Association as president and CEO before moving on to the New Economy Initiative where he worked on improving the southeast Michigan economy and creating jobs through entrepreneurship and innovation. In 2012, he was elected to the House of Representatives, becoming the first Indian-American member of this legislative body; and

Whereas, For six years, Representative Singh has been a leader in this chamber. He has served on the Appropriations Committee, including as minority vice chair of the Education and Higher Education subcommittees, and as minority vice chair of the Government Operations Committee and the Education Subcommittee on Common Core Standards. For the 2015-2016 session, he was chosen as the Democratic Floor Leader and rose to the position of Democratic Leader for the 2017-2018 session. He has been a champion for equality, education, public health, and the environment, among other issues; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Samir Singh 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 Singh as evidence of our gratitude and best wishes.