

Senator Meekhof offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 207.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Jack Brandenburg.

Whereas, It is with pleasure that we extend this expression of our gratitude to Senator Jack Brandenburg on his retirement from the Michigan Senate following a long and distinguished career in public service. His dedication and commitment to the Eighth District and to this state over these past eight years have been greatly appreciated; and

Whereas, Jack Brandenburg brought to the Senate a tremendous wealth of knowledge and business experience along with a commitment to public service. A graduate of Ashland University, Senator Brandenburg is the long-time owner and operator of Blue Water Industrial Supply Inc., a railroad supply company. Prior to being elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in 2002, where he served three terms, the Rotarian and former little league football and baseball coach served on Michigan's S.A.F.E. Schools Task Force and as an appointee to the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority; and

Whereas, First elected to the Senate in 2010, Jack Brandenburg has been a strong advocate for the Michigan taxpayer. During his tenure, he served on numerous committees, including as vice chair of the Insurance Committee and the committees on Local Government and Elections, Transportation, Infrastructure Modernization, and Economic Development and International Investment, putting his expertise and leadership to good use. As chair of the Committee on Finance and as a former Majority Caucus Whip, he shepherded a series of reforms that reshaped the Michigan tax system. His retirement leaves this institution with a void it will not soon fill; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we offer this expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Jack Brandenburg 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 Senator Brandenburg as evidence of our gratitude and best wishes.