Reps. Gaffney, Accavitti, Adamini, Anderson, Bieda, Byrum, Daniels, DeRossett, Ehardt, Farhat, Gieleghem, Gillard, Gleason, Hager, Jamnick, Koetje, Law, Meyer, Middaugh, Pappageorge, Richardville, Rivet, Sak, Sheltrown, Shulman, Spade, Taub, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Vander Veen, Voorhees, Wojno, Woodward, Zelenko, Acciavatti, Caul, Kooiman, Murphy, Nofs, Plakas, Rocca and Stallworth offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 213.

A resolution recognizing April 7, 2004 as World Health Day

Whereas, The World Health Organization has designated April 7, 2004, as World Health Day with the theme of road safety; and

Whereas, Over 42,000 Americans die in motor vehicle crashes every year, making motor vehicles crashes the leading cause of death for people ages 1 to 34 in the United States; and

Whereas, Death and injury from motor vehicle crashes may be significantly reduced by greater public awareness, enforcement and strengthening of existing laws; and

Whereas, Research indicates that between 1979 and 1999 safety belts have been effective in saving approximately 123,000 lives in the United States; and

Whereas, In 2004 AAA and other safety groups across the country will be emphasizing the importance of safety belt use; and

Whereas, Minor steps like wearing safety belts, obeying traffic laws, avoiding distracted driving and knowing your personal driving limits will reduce traffic crashes and injuries; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body recognize April 7, 2004, as World Health Day.