Reps. Dennis, Accavitti, Adamini, Anderson, Bieda, Brown, Byrum, Clack, Condino, Ehardt, Farhat, Gieleghem, Gillard, Gleason, Jamnick, Kooiman, Lipsey, Minore, O'Neil, Pappageorge, Phillips, Plakas, Rivet, Rocca, Sak, Sheltrown, Spade, Stallworth, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Woronchak, DeRossett, Murphy and Waters offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 228.

A resolution recognizing September 20-26, 2004, as Pollution Prevention Week in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Pollution Prevention Week is an opportunity for the people of Michigan to join together to make a clean and vibrant Michigan by taking action to promote the reduction of waste at its source, or where this is not feasible, identify opportunities to reuse and recycle. It is also promoted as a priority in achieving environmental quality in the state of Michigan to observe, educate, and outreach. The people of Michigan are proud of our state's beauty, natural resources, and environment, yet the presence of pollutants continue to pose a threat to our environment, public health, and safety; and

Whereas, Pollution prevention is a fundamental strategy to protect the environment and maintain the health and safety of workers in the workplace by stopping pollution before it occurs. Pollution prevention can benefit businesses by increasing industrial efficiency through process and material waste reduction, thereby saving businesses time and money. With a proactive approach to pollution prevention, Michigan can meet the challenges of having both a sustainable environment and healthy economy for its citizens and businesses; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body recognize September 20-26, 2004, as Pollution Prevention Week in the state of Michigan. We commend all businesses and community members who participate in local and regional celebratory and educational activities. We also support pollution prevention as a means to promote environmental stewardship which improves our communities and protects our natural resources for future generations; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.