Reps. Gleason, Bieda, Hopgood, Adamini, Anderson, Bradstreet, Brown, Clack, Condino, Dennis, DeRossett, Dillon, Ehardt, Farrah, Garfield, Gieleghem, Gillard, Hager, Hoogendyk, Hummel, Jamnick, Koetje, Kooiman, Lipsey, Meyer, Middaugh, Milosch, Minore, Murphy, Nofs, Palmer, Palsrok, Pappageorge, Phillips, Plakas, Richardville, Rivet, Robertson, Rocca, Sak, Shaffer, Sheen, Sheltrown, Shulman, Spade, Stakoe, Tabor, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Voorhees, Wojno and Zelenko offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 365.

A resolution recognizing December 16th, 2004, as Battle of the Bulge Remembrance Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, We commemorate the 60th anniversary of the onset of the Battle of the Bulge, which took place in the Ardennes Forest in Belgium and Luxembourg, and we honor those brave souls who fought to save the world from tyranny during those trying times; and

Whereas, Our nation is once again reminded of the hardships and sacrifices made by our servicemen and women during times of conflict. With these constant reminders we become ever more appreciative of those soldiers who served our nation in the past and those who will serve in the future; and

Whereas, World War II was a war in which the core fundamentals of our way of life were at the risk of being destroyed. It was a time when the fate and future of the world was hanging in the balance; and

Whereas, The Battle of the Bulge was a major turning point in the European Theater of World War II, a battle whose outcome was a decisive moment in that war and in the future of the freedom of humanity; and

Whereas, Over 500,000 Americans fought for the freedom of the world during the Battle of the Bulge and over 19,000 Americans made the ultimate sacrifice for our country and our liberties between the dates of December 16th, 1944, and January 25th, 1945; now, be it, further

Resolved by the House of Representatives, that the members of this legislative body recognize December 16th, 2004, as Battle of the Bulge Remembrance Day in the state of Michigan and we remember those who fought for their future generations during that fateful month 60 years ago.