

Speaker Rick Johnson and Reps. Acciavatti, Adamini, Amos, Anderson, Bieda, Byrum, Casperson, Caswell, Caul, Dennis, Ehardt, Emmons, Farhat, Farrah, Garfield, Gielegghem, Gillard, Gleason, Hager, Hopgood, Huizenga, Jamnick, Kolb, Kooiman, LaJoy, Law, Lipsey, Meyer, Middaugh, Milosch, Minore, Newell, Nitz, Nofs, O'Neil, Palmer, Pastor, Phillips, Richardville, Rivet, Robertson, Rocca, Sak, Shaffer, Sheltroun, Shulman, Spade, Stahl, Stakoe, Steil, Tabor, Taub, Vagnozzi, Vander Veen, Voorhees, Waters, Wojno and Zelenko offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 299.

A resolution commemorating Friday, August 20, 2004, as NASCAR Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The NASCAR Nextel Cup Racing Series boasts tens of millions of stock car racing fans across the country, including many in Michigan. As fans gather in Brooklyn, Michigan at Michigan International Speedway for an exciting weekend of racing beginning August 20, it is an appropriate time to celebrate NASCAR racing and also help support worthwhile charities; and

Whereas, Annually NASCAR holds a one-day celebration of the NASCAR spirit, where individuals and companies sign up to participate by making donations to charity. On August 20, 2004, fans across the country are encouraged to wear NASCAR clothing and donate \$5 to the Victory Junction Gang, a special cause for children with chronic or seriously debilitating diseases. All participants will receive a special NASCAR Day lapel pin they can wear to show their support; and

Whereas, The Nextel Cup GFS Marketplace 400 and other NASCAR races take place the weekend of August 20-22, 2004. NASCAR and the House of Representatives urge the NASCAR community of racing fans and corporations to show support for their sport and raise money for the Victory Junction Gang; and

Whereas, On August 20, 2004, representatives from Michigan International Speedway and racing fans throughout Michigan join to support NASCAR racing and worthwhile charities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body commemorate August 20, 2004, as NASCAR Day and express appreciation of the sport's valuable contributions to our state and country; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to NASCAR officials and drivers and the management and workers of Michigan International Speedway.