

Senators Barcia, Hardiman, Olshove, Cherry, Prusi, Thomas, Brater and Goschka offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 56.

A resolution honoring the Michigan Community Blood Centers.

Whereas, It is a pleasure for the members of the Michigan Senate to acknowledge the administration and staff of Michigan Community Blood Centers for their outstanding commitment to contributing to better health care services in the state of Michigan. As this organization celebrates the fiftieth anniversary of its service to the state of Michigan, we are proud to commend all associated with this fine endeavor, for they are the ones who are responsible for its success; and

Whereas, Michigan Community Blood Centers are nonprofit organizations that are dedicated to meeting the demand for a ready and available supply of blood for emergencies. In addition to actively recruiting crucial donors for all blood types, the center is also intrinsically involved in critical blood testing procedures and is a leader in unique and advanced technologies; and

Whereas, Founded in 1955 as the Detroit Blood Center, Michigan Community Blood Centers merged with the Southern Michigan Blood Center in 1967 to form a network of vital service facilities in Detroit, Grand Rapids, and Saginaw. Currently, Michigan Community Blood Centers serve four major regions of the state, including West Michigan, Southwest Michigan, Northwest Michigan, and East-Central Michigan, with a combined population of more than 1.5 million; and

Whereas, Michigan Community Blood Centers have excelled in meeting its positive purposes and have been of service to countless citizens, often in crisis situations, making a difference between life and death. It is a privilege to salute the people who day by day make this service possible; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That a unanimous accolade of praise and tribute be hereby accorded the administration and staff of Michigan Community Blood Centers; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the members of Michigan Community Blood Centers in evidence of the esteem held for them by the members of the Michigan Senate.