

Reps. Gillard, Accavitti, Adamini, Anderson, Ball, Bieda, Brandenburg, Brown, Byrnes, Byrum, Clack, Cushingberry, Farrah, Gleason, Gonzales, Gosselin, Hildenbrand, Hopgood, Jones, Kolb, Kathleen Law, Leland, Lemmons, Jr., Lipsey, Marleau, Meisner, Meyer, Miller, Mortimer, Murphy, Nitz, Pearce, Plakas, Polidori, Proos, Sak, Schuitmaker, Shaffer, Sheltroun, Alma Smith, Spade, Stewart, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Waters and Zelenko offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 274.

A resolution recognizing September 18-24, 2006, as Pollution Prevention Week in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Pollution prevention is a priority in achieving environmental quality in the state of Michigan. 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 increase industrial efficiency, competitiveness, and help Michigan develop both a "bio-economy" and green businesses with clean and pollution-free technology that can save businesses money; and

Whereas, Pollution prevention helps Michigan meet the challenges of having both a sustainable environment and healthy economy for its citizens and businesses; and

Whereas, We support pollution prevention as a means to promote environmental stewardship which improves our communities and protects our natural resources for future generations; and

Whereas, Pollution Prevention Week is an opportunity for the people of Michigan to join together for a clean and vibrant Michigan by taking action to reduce waste at its source. Where this is not feasible, we need to identify opportunities to reuse and recycle; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body recognize September 18-24, 2006, 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; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be provided for Michigan residents on the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality Web site as evidence of our support.