The Speaker offered the following concurrent resolution:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 26.

A concurrent resolution to request the State Officers Compensation Commission to recommend a 5 percent reduction in the salaries of the members of the Legislature the next time the commission meets in 2008.

Whereas, Article IV, Section 12 of the state constitution of 1963 established the State Officers Compensation Commission. The commission was established to determine the salaries and expense allowances of the member of the Legislature, the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Attorney General, the Secretary of the State, and the Justices of the Supreme Court; and

Whereas, Section 3 of 1968 PA 357 provides that the Commission shall meet for not more than 15 session days beginning after July 1 of every even numbered year and may reconsider and make a further determination of the mileage allowance of the members of the legislature who request of the commission a redetermination; and

Whereas, In light of the sacrifices being made by residents across the state, we believe that as elected leaders in state government we have an obligation to share in these sacrifices; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That we request the State Officers Compensation Commission to recommend a 5 percent reduction in the salaries of the members of the Legislature the next time the commission meets in 2008; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to members of the State Officers Compensation Commission and the Director of the Michigan Department of Civil Service.