

Reps. Espinoza, Brown, Hammon, Ebli, Valentine, Garfield, Wojno, Byrnes, Rick Jones, Gonzales, Green, Polidori, Constan, McDowell, Palsrok, Accavitti, Ball, Bieda, Brandenburg, Byrum, Casperson, Condino, Cushingberry, Elsenheimer, Farrah, Gillard, Hammel, Hansen, Hopgood, Horn, Kathleen Law, LeBlanc, Lemmons, Marleau, Mayes, Miller, Nofs, Pastor, Pearce, Proos, Rocca, Spade, Stahl, Steil, Tobocman, Vagnozzi and Alma Smith offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 46.

A resolution honoring the 65th anniversary of the Michigan Wing of the Civil Air Patrol.

Whereas, It is the pleasure of the Michigan House of Representatives to commemorate and honor the 65th anniversary of the Michigan Wing of the Civil Air Patrol and pause to recognize and appreciate their efforts to protect the citizens of the state of Michigan and the entire country; and

Whereas, The Civil Air Patrol is a non-profit corporation established shortly after the attack on Pearl Harbor as an auxiliary to the United States Air Force and were charged with patrolling the coasts of the United States. By the war's conclusion, the Civil Air Patrol had found 173 submarines, attacked 57, hit ten and sank two. In the wake of the most recent attacks on our nation on September 11, 2001, the Civil Air Patrol was once again called upon to protect the interests and lives of the people of the state of Michigan and the nation; and

Whereas, The Civil Air Patrol possesses the world's largest all volunteer chaplaincy to assist the US Air Force active-duty and reserve chaplains, particularly in wartime. They also assist in national relief organizations in times of disaster ministering to victims' families and emergency workers and teach strong moral values to their cadets while preaching the understanding of religious pluralism and committing themselves to the basic freedom of religion; and

Whereas, The Michigan Wing of the Civil Air Patrol currently has 1,200 cadets and senior members serving our state in a variety of ways. Whether by teaching aerospace and sharing the joy of flight with Michigan teachers and students, taking to the skies or on the ground assisting in search and rescue efforts, or merely providing an outlet for America's youth to learn leadership skills; the Civil Air Patrol provides a useful and much needed service to Michiganders; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body honor the 65th anniversary of the Michigan Wing of the Civil Air Patrol; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the members of the Michigan Wing of the Civil Air Patrol as evidence of our high esteem.