

**SCR27, As Adopted by Senate, October 22, 2009**

Senator Bishop offered the following concurrent resolution:

**Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 27.**

A concurrent resolution offered as a memorial for Robert W. Davis, former member of the Michigan House of Representatives and Senate and the United States House of Representatives.

Whereas, The members of the Michigan Legislature were saddened to learn of the passing of Robert W. Davis, a gentleman who served in elective posts at the local, state, and federal level. With his commitment to his beloved Northern Michigan, he left a legacy of service and accomplishment that will long be remembered; and

Whereas, A native of Marquette, Bob Davis studied at Hillsdale College and Northern Michigan University and was a graduate of Wayne State University. After working with his father operating a funeral home in St. Ignace, he became active in local affairs, serving on the St. Ignace City Council. In 1967, he brought his talents and energies to Lansing to work on behalf of his community as State Representative, and in 1970, he was elected to the Michigan Senate, where he served as the Senate Republican Leader throughout his second term; and

Whereas, From 1979 until his retirement in 1992, Congressman Bob Davis fought for the people of Northern Michigan and our entire state in the United States House of Representatives. A hallmark of his tenure was his strong sense of identity with the needs of his district, one of the larger ones in the country. He was especially known for his dedication to public policies to protect the Great Lakes and was a pioneer in recognizing the need to control invasive species. His accomplishments include his leadership in the creation of the Keweenaw National Historic District and the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate (the House of Representatives concurring), That we offer this expression of our highest tribute to honor the memory of Robert W. Davis, former member of the Michigan House of Representatives, Michigan Senate, and the United States House of Representatives; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Davis family as evidence of the lasting esteem that will be held for his memory throughout our state.