

Senator Basham offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 82.

A resolution proclaiming the week of September 21, 2009, as Pollution Prevention Week in Michigan.

Whereas, The people of Michigan value our natural resources, which are the basis for outdoor activities, state tourism, and making Michigan a Great Lakes State; and

Whereas, The people of Michigan support and deserve a clean and safe environment in which to raise our children; and

Whereas, The benefits of pollution prevention are well documented and achieved through reducing waste at its source, or where this is not feasible, recycling; and

Whereas, Pollution prevention can improve environmental conditions; protect the health and safety of workers; strengthen our community; and provide an assurance for the future; and

Whereas, Pollution prevention can increase industrial efficiency, competitiveness, and help Michigan develop a “bio-economy” and green business practices to increase the adoption of clean and pollution-free technology that can save businesses money; and

Whereas, By focusing on pollution prevention, Michigan can meet the challenges of having healthy communities, clean watersheds, efficient government, and competitive businesses; and

Whereas, Pollution Prevention Week is an opportunity for government to join forces with businesses, industries, environmental groups, community organizations, and the citizens of Michigan to ensure a prosperous and sustainable future; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby proclaim the week of September 21, 2009, as Pollution Prevention Week in Michigan. We encourage all citizens to join in this observance and incorporate pollution prevention into their everyday activities; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality as a token of our esteem.