Senators Hardiman, Jansen, Sanborn, Gilbert, Stamas, Van Woerkom, Allen, Jelinek, Kahn, Nofs, Bishop, Cassis, Pappageorge, Cropsey, George, McManus, Kuipers, Clarke, Brown, Scott, Prusi, Clark-Coleman, Richardville, Birkholz and Hunter offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 150.

A resolution observing the National Day of Prayer on May 6, 2010.

Whereas, A National Day of Prayer has been part of America's heritage since it was declared by the First Continental Congress in 1775; and

Whereas, The 59th observance of the National Day of Prayer will be held Thursday, May 6, 2010; and

Whereas, President Abraham Lincoln proclaimed that our nation should set apart a day for national prayer to confess our sins and transgressions in sorrow, "yet with assured hope that genuine repentance will lead to mercy and pardon…announced in the Holy Scriptures 'The LORD is good, a refuge in times of trouble. He cares for those who trust in Him. Nahum 1:7' "; and

Whereas, We are thankful for the abundant blessings that have been bestowed on America. Our forefathers looked to God as protector, provider, and the promise of hope. We have wandered far from that firm foundation. May we repent for turning our backs on God's faithfulness. We ask that this great state and nation be restored by God's forgiveness and mercy; and

Whereas, We, as a state, give thanks for the freedoms we enjoy, that the state of Michigan and its people will be blessed and protected from those who threaten our republic and the foundations of our heritage; and

Whereas, Leaders of our nation have relied upon prayer throughout American history. We give thanks for life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness, including the freedom to gather and pray; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we proclaim and honor this long tradition and declare Thursday, May 6, 2010, as Michigan's Day of Prayer; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the Michigan Governmental Prayer Alliance with our highest esteem.