Reps. Santana, Roberts, Hovey-Wright, Howrylak and Slavens offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 274.

A resolution to declare December 7, 2013, as Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, On the morning of December 7, 1941, America was attacked without warning at Pearl Harbor by the air and naval forces of Imperial Japan. More than 2,400 people perished and another 1,100 were wounded, triggering our nation's entry into World War II; and

Whereas, On December 7, 2013, we honor those who lost their lives 72 years ago and all veterans who have fought to preserve our freedom and democracy; and

Whereas, Today, we also recognize the citizens of Michigan who answered their country's call to the battlefield, the factory, and the farm. We remember Pearl Harbor through their deeds, their devotion to duty, and their willingness to fight for freedom; and

Whereas, The attack at Pearl Harbor fired the American spirit with a determination that freedom would not fall. The tragedy of December 7, 1941, remains upon the memories of the citizens of the state of Michigan as well as our great nation. May this recollection serve not just as a symbol of American valor, but also as the resolve of all Americans in preserving freedom; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare December 7, 2013, as Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day in the state of Michigan.