The Speaker, on behalf of the entire membership of the House of Representatives, offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 380.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Joel Johnson.

Whereas, It is with pleasure that we extend this expression of gratitude to Representative Joel Johnson as he concludes his tenure with the Michigan House of Representatives. His dedicated work and leadership on behalf of his constituents in the Ninety-seventh District and this state has been greatly appreciated; and

Whereas, After graduating from Michigan State University, Joel Johnson crafted a career steeped in professional diversity and public service. He was the owner and operator of a small local farm in Clare County and manager of Johnston Elevator. In addition to volunteering with the Boy Scouts of America, he served as president of the Clare Area Chamber of Commerce and served on the board of the Clare County Farm Bureau and Michigan Agri-Business Association; and

Whereas, Elected to the Michigan House of Representatives in 2010, Representative Johnson's six-year tenure with this chamber has been well served by his wealth of experience, and he has distinguished himself through his leadership responsibilities. In addition to other committee assignments, he served as chair of the House Committee on Workforce and Talent Development, where he worked tirelessly to create good-paying jobs for Michiganders and continue the state's economic rebirth. Representative Johnson was also appointed to represent Michigan on the National Conference of State Legislature's Labor and Economic Development Committee for 2015-2016. He previously served on the organization's Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Joel Johnson for his service and contributions to this legislative body; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Johnson as evidence of our esteem and best wishes.