Senators Bieda and Kowall offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 166.

A resolution to recognize May 3, 2016, as the 225th Anniversary of the ratification of the 1791 Polish Constitution.

Whereas, The Polish Constitution is widely known to be the first democratic constitution in Europe and the second in the world after the Constitution of the United States; and

Whereas, The Polish Constitution was inspired by the political thinking of the European Enlightenment and the Constitution of the United States, and it serves as a symbol of unity, tolerance, love of freedom, and democracy; and

Whereas, The Polish Constitution serves as the most important, creative, and patriotic achievement of Polish citizens on behalf of their republic and as a universal symbol of brotherhood for all people of Polish descent; and

Whereas, The Polish Constitution is the culmination of work in Polish humanities, economics, politics, and law over the course of centuries; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize May 3, 2016, as the 225th Anniversary of the ratification of the 1791 Polish Constitution; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Polish Mission of the Orchard Lake Schools, the oldest Polish cultural and educational organization in the United States, established in 1885.