

Rep. Howrylak offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 187.

A resolution to declare November 15, 2015, as America Recycles Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Michigan recognizes the importance of recycling as a way to protect natural resources, promote environmental stewardship, and improve the quality of life for Michigan's citizens; and

Whereas, Ensuring that all Michigan residents and businesses have access to recycling opportunities, educating residents on how and why to recycle, and fostering recycling market development will enable sustainable materials management and transformation of currently wasted resources into valuable commodities; and

Whereas, Recycling paper, metal, glass, plastic, wood, textiles, yard waste, and food scraps is one of the most cost-effective strategies for communities and businesses to conserve energy, protect the environment, reduce waste, and strengthen the local economy; and

Whereas, Participating in America Recycles Day 2015 is one way businesses and citizens can help raise awareness about the need to reduce waste through sustainable materials management by reusing, recycling, composting, and buying recycled-content products; and

Whereas, Michigan leaders can use this as an opportunity to spread the word about Michigan's successful recycling programs, the growth of markets for recycled materials, and the importance of working to expand recycling opportunities to more businesses and communities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare November 15, 2015, as America Recycles Week in the state of Michigan.