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

House Resolution No. 356.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Kurt Heise.

Whereas, It is a privilege to extend the congratulations of the House of Representatives to the Honorable Kurt Heise as he leaves this legislative body. For the last six years, he has represented the people of the Twentieth District with integrity and determination; and

Whereas, Representative Heise had a long history of public service even before his election to the House of Representatives in 2010. After earning a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and a juris doctorate and master of laws from Wayne State University, he turned his attention to local government and municipal, labor, and environmental law. Representative Heise served as an assistant city attorney in Dearborn Heights and Woodhaven, a mayoral deputy in Dearborn Heights, and the director of the Wayne County Department of Environment; and

Whereas, Since taking office in 2011, Representative Heise has been an active legislator, sponsoring more than 30 public acts over six years, including critical reforms to the state's human trafficking law. He has served on the Elections; Elections and Ethics; Transportation and Infrastructure; Judiciary; Local Government; Education; and Families, Children and Seniors committees. He was also the chair of the Criminal Justice committee during the 2013-2014 and 2015-2016 sessions. His hard work and dedication to the integrity of this legislative body have been deeply appreciated; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Kurt Heise for his notable contributions to this legislative body and our entire state; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Heise as evidence of our gratitude and best wishes.