Senators Nofs, Pavlov, Proos, Horn, Zorn, Booher, Schuitmaker, Jones, Schmidt, Kowall, Emmons, Casperson, Brandenburg and Marleau offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 124, 124.

A resolution to commemorate the 20th Anniversary of the federal recognition of the tribal government of the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi.

Whereas, The Potawatomi derive their name from Bodéwadmi, which references their role as "keepers of the council fire," and is a direct link to their enduring roots in Michigan's history; and

Whereas, The Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi received federal acknowledgement in 1995; and

Whereas, The tribe was reaffirmed as a sovereign nation with a nation-to-nation relationship with the federal government; and

Whereas, The Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi continues to provide leadership for tribal members and serve as a model to other Native Americans in areas of self-government, selfreliance, and self-empowerment; and

Whereas, The tribe has a longstanding history of strong tribal leadership and a successful track record begun under founding leaders and continued under the guidance of its Tribal Council: Chairman Homer A. Mandoka, Vice Chair Jamie Stuck, Secretary Dorie Rios, Treasurer Christine Lanning, and Sergeant at Arms Tony Day; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby commemorate the 20th Anniversary of federal recognition of the tribal government of the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the chairman of the Nottawaseppi Huron Band of the Potawatomi Tribal Council.