Substitute for House Resolution No. 455.

A resolution to declare December 7, 2018, as Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, On December 7, Americans everywhere gather to commemorate the 77th anniversary of the morning in 1941 when American Armed Forces were attacked at Pearl Harbor by the Imperial Japanese air and naval forces. That attack killed more than 2,400 Americans and wounded nearly 1,200 others; and

Whereas, This grievous attack plunged our nation into World War II. Although America was unprepared for war, our steadfast resolve and courage quickly prepared us to do what must be done in defense of our country. The sacrifices of our brave military helped ensure peace around the globe and thrust America into a crucial role of being world leader for democracy; and

Whereas, We remember those fallen Americans, our dead and wounded, and those young Americans who survived and continued to serve this great country in and out of uniform; and

Whereas, We remember that America's freedom and way of life is sacred and was purchased at a very high price and can be threatened at any time. Our strength and courage and devotion to America's founding principles are worth defending at all costs; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare December 7, 2018, as Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day in the state of Michigan. We continue to keep the resolve of those military personnel we have loved and lost by remembering the sacrifices made at Pearl Harbor.