

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 112

Rep. Neyer offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to urge the Michigan State University Board of
2 Trustees to include a representative from Michigan's agricultural
3 community on the Presidential Search Committee.

4 Whereas, Michigan's agricultural sector is one of the top
5 economic engines and job creators in the state of Michigan.
6 Agriculture is one of the fastest growing sectors in the Michigan
7 economy; and

8 Whereas, Michigan State University was founded as an
9 agricultural college and continues to be an important driver for
10 agriculture research and innovation in this state. Michigan State
11 University's agriculture and agriculture operations programs are
12 ranked number one in the state, and Michigan State University was
13 ranked as one of the top ten agriculture and forestry colleges

1 worldwide in 2021; and

2 Whereas, The selection of Michigan State University's next
3 president will have profound implications on the future of
4 Michigan's agricultural sector, yet there is no direct
5 representation of Michigan's agricultural community on the
6 university's Presidential Search Committee. It is imperative that
7 the voices of Michigan's agricultural sector be represented on the
8 search committee; and

9 Whereas, This grievous oversight must be corrected to add
10 representation from Michigan's agricultural community on the
11 Michigan State University Presidential Search Committee. America's
12 pioneer land grant university, whose original mission was to teach
13 agriculture, deserves no less; now, therefore, be it

14 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the
15 Michigan State University Board of Trustees to include a
16 representative from Michigan's agricultural community on the
17 Presidential Search Committee; and be it further

18 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the
19 members of Michigan State University's Board of Trustees.