## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.382

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

- 1 A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Jim Ellison.
- 2 Whereas, It is truly a privilege to honor Representative Jim
- 3 Ellison for his six years of service in the Michigan House of
- 4 Representatives. We commend him for his dedication to the Twenty-
- 5 sixth District and his long history of service to the people of
- 6 Royal Oak and Madison Heights, and for his contributions to this
- 7 great state; and
- 8 Whereas, Before his election to the Legislature in 2016,
- 9 Representative Ellison had a venerable career in local government.
- 10 For the City of Royal Oak, he served as a city commissioner for
- 11 four years and then as mayor for thirteen years. Representative
- 12 Ellison also worked for the Royal Oak Planning Commission,

- 1 including as its chairman. Additionally, he was Chairman of the
- 2 Woodward Dream Cruise Liaison and President of the Royal Oak
- 3 Housing Commission. Throughout his career, Representative Ellison
- 4 has nurtured a large and loving family, with eight children and
- 5 sixteen grandchildren, many of whom live in southeastern Michigan;
- 6 and
- 7 Whereas, As a member of the House, Representative Ellison drew
- 8 on his skills as a local leader to bring positive change to the
- 9 whole of Michigan. His expertise was recognized by his appointment
- 10 as minority vice chair of the Local Government and Municipal
- 11 Finance Committee. Throughout his tenure, he also served as a
- 12 member of the committees on Families, Children, and Seniors; Health
- 13 Policy; Tax Policy; and Local Government. Representative Ellison
- 14 successfully sponsored bills in legislative packages that
- 15 simplified taxes in order to help small businesses and protected
- 16 estates from probate abuse; now, therefore, be it
- 17 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this
- 18 expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Jim
- 19 Ellison for his notable contributions to this legislative body and
- 20 to our state; and be it further
- 21 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
- 22 Representative Ellison as evidence of our gratitude and best
- 23 wishes.