

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 97

Senators Wojno, Runestad, Barrett, Bayer, Chang, Polehanki, Hollier and Lauwers offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to recognize the 88th anniversary of the
2 Holodomor.

3 Whereas, Internationally, the fourth Saturday in November is
4 recognized as a day to remember the Ukrainian Holodomor of 1932-
5 1933 when seven to ten million Ukrainians were intentionally
6 starved to death by Stalin's regime; and

7 Whereas, The Ukrainian American Holodomor Genocide Committee
8 of Michigan has worked passionately to spread awareness of the
9 Holodomor through the creation of lesson plans with the Michigan
10 Department of Education (MDE); and

11 Whereas, These lesson plans contribute to our understanding of

1 how the authorities denied, concealed, and destroyed information
2 about the Holodomor. Accurate information about this tragic event
3 has only recently been made available; and

4 Whereas, The committee's work raises awareness about the
5 historical facts of the Holodomor and continues to promote the
6 teaching of genocide to prevent such atrocities against mankind in
7 the future; and

8 Whereas, The Ukrainian community is honored for their historic
9 and cultural contributions to our state; and

10 Whereas, The Ukrainian community continues to know that we are
11 keenly aware of the Holodomor's place in the history of communist
12 oppression, brutality, and genocide; now, therefore, be it

13 Resolved by the Senate, That we recognize the 88th anniversary
14 of the Holodomor. We stand in solidarity with the Ukrainian
15 community; and be it further

16 Resolved, That we honor and appreciate the Ukrainian American
17 Holodomor Genocide Committee of Michigan for their tireless work to
18 raise awareness of the Holodomor.