MICHIGAN SENATE

Senate Resolution No. 183

Offered by Senators Shirkey, Ananich, Alexander, Barrett, Bayer, Bizon, Brinks, Bullock, Bumstead, Chang, Daley, Geiss, Hertel, Hollier, Horn, Huizenga, Irwin, Johnson, LaSata, Lauwers, MacDonald, McBroom, McCann, McMorrow, Moss, Nesbitt, Outman, Polehanki, Runestad, Santana, Schmidt, Stamas, Theis, VanderWall, Victory, Wojno, Wozniak, Zorn and Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist II

A RESOLUTION OF TRIBUTE FOR THE HONORABLE KEN HORN

WHEREAS, It is with gratitude that we recognize Senator Ken Horn for his work on behalf of the citizens of Michigan. Throughout his tenure, Senator Horn's hard work has benefited his constituents in the Thirty-second District of Saginaw and Genesee counties; and

WHEREAS, Senator Horn's personal experiences prior to taking office reflect a deep commitment to public service. Senator Horn owned and operated Horn's Restaurant in Frankenmuth for nearly 15 years, served as a Saginaw County Commissioner for 16 years, and served as vice president for donor services at the Saginaw Community Foundation. Senator Horn holds a bachelor's degree in criminal justice from Concordia University, completed Michigan State University's Political Leadership Program, graduated from the Henry Toll Fellowship Program, and was recently awarded an honorary Doctor of Laws Degree from Saginaw Valley State University. His active engagement with many organizations included the White House Conference on Tourism, Habitat for Humanity, and the Council of State Governments' Midwest Conference, which he chaired. Furthermore, he was appointed by Governor Engler in 2002 to the Michigan Travel Commission. Most importantly, Senator Horn is the dedicated husband to his wife, Veronica, proud father to his two children, Kevin, his wife Ruth, and Andrea, and devoted grandfather to Liam, Aaliyah, and their angel, Zellie, who is terribly missed; and

WHEREAS, During his time in the House from 2007-2012 and in the Senate since 2015, Senator Horn, a first generation American, has put service to his constituents above all else as a zealous advocate for the hardworking people of Michigan. He served with distinction as the chair of the committees on Economic and Small Business Development and Economic Development and International Investment as well as the Appropriations subcommittees on Capital Outlay and Labor and Economic Development/MEDC. Additionally, Senator Horn served honorably as the vice chair of the committees on Energy and Technology, Education and Career Readiness, and Transportation as well as Appropriations Subcommittee on Universities and Community Colleges. Finally, Senator Horn served as a member of the Senate Committees on Insurance and Banking, Insurance, and Energy and Technology and as a member of the Michigan Legislative Council. His proudest accomplishments in economic development include establishing the Strategic Outreach and Attraction Reserve Fund, and also advocating for Pure Michigan. Senator Horn has championed career readiness for all Michiganders by sponsoring and supporting the Skilled Trades Training Act, the Occupational Licensing bill, Good Jobs for Michigan, and the Going Pro Talent Fund; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That we offer this expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Ken Horn for his notable contributions to this legislative body and to our state; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Senator Ken Horn as evidence of our appreciation and best wishes as he leaves this legislative body.

Adopted by the Senate, December 7, 2022.

Secretary of the Senate