HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.377

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 John Cherry.

2 Whereas, It is with sincere gratitude that we honor

3 Representative John Cherry as his time in the Michigan House of

4 Representatives comes to a close. He has served all of Michigan and

5 his constituents in the Forty-ninth District, which includes the

6 cities of Flushing, Mount Morris, and Swartz Creek, part of the

city of Flint, and the townships of Flint and Mount Morris, with

8 distinction and honor; and

9 Whereas, Representative Cherry earned a bachelor's degree in

10 natural resources and environment and a master's degree in public

11 policy from the University of Michigan. His passion for the

12 outdoors led him to a position in the Michigan Department of

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- 1 Natural Resources (DNR) Office of Science and Policy. He later
- 2 moved to the DNR's grants management staff and was promoted to the
- 3 Department's performance management coordinator position in 2011.
- 4 Inspired by friends and family, Representative Cherry ran for
- 5 Flint's Charter Commission in 2015. Under his leadership as vice
- 6 chair, the Commission proposed and implemented Flint's first new
- 7 charter in more than forty years; and
- 8 Whereas, Representative Cherry was elected to the Michigan
- 9 House of Representatives in 2018. He served as minority vice chair
- 10 of the Government Operations Committee and was a member of the
- 11 committees on Commerce and Tourism, Appropriations, and Energy. On
- 12 the Appropriations Committee, he served as minority vice chair of
- 13 the Subcommittee on Natural Resources and Environmental Quality and
- 14 as a member of the subcommittees on Joint Capital Outlay and Health
- 15 and Human Services. During his tenure, Representative Cherry took
- 16 an interest in a number of policies to improve the lives of
- 17 Michiganders, as he championed legislation on the environment and
- 18 recreation; now, therefore, be it
- 19 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this
- 20 expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable John
- 21 Cherry for his notable contributions to this legislative body and
- 22 to our state; and be it further
- 23 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
- 24 Representative Cherry as evidence of our gratitude and best wishes.