

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 422

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 Yousef Rabhi.

2 Whereas, It is with great pleasure that we recognize the  
3 service and leadership of Representative Yousef Rabhi.

4 Representative Rabhi has shown dedication and passion for serving  
5 Michiganders and his constituents in the Fifty-third District,  
6 which includes Washtenaw county. Throughout his time in the  
7 Legislature, he exemplified what it means to be a public servant;  
8 and

9 Whereas, Representative Rabhi was born in Ypsilanti and raised  
10 in Ann Arbor, he attended Ann Arbor Public Schools. His passion for  
11 his community and social change was apparent from an early age  
12 eventually earning his bachelor's degree in environmental science

1 from the University of Michigan. While finishing his degree in  
2 2010, he was elected to the Washtenaw County Board of  
3 Commissioners, serving in that capacity for the next six years.  
4 During this time, he pursued a career working in public land  
5 stewardship and ecosystem management at both the City of Ann Arbor  
6 Natural Area Preservation and the University of Michigan's Matthaei  
7 Botanical Gardens and Nichols Arboretum. He also remained deeply  
8 involved in his community throughout this time, serving on nearly  
9 20 boards, committees, and commissions with the goal of building a  
10 more sustainable, equitable and just community for all; and

11       Whereas, Representative Rabhi was elected to the Michigan  
12 House of Representatives in 2016 and served with great integrity  
13 and passion throughout his tenure. During his time in office, he  
14 served as the minority vice chair of the Appropriations  
15 subcommittee on Environmental Quality and was a member of the  
16 subcommittees on Community Colleges and Higher Education, where he  
17 proposed protections for the School Aid Fund. Representative Rabhi  
18 was also a member of the Government Operations Committee where he  
19 advocated for corporate tax reform. In 2018, he was elected as the  
20 House Democratic Floor Leader, a role in which he served for two  
21 consecutive terms and proved to be a great asset and leader for  
22 this chamber in his role. Representative Rabhi remained steadfast  
23 in his pursuit towards causes such as healthcare reform, consumer  
24 protections, worker's rights, and combating climate change; now,  
25 therefore, be it

26       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this  
27 expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Yousef  
28 Rabhi for his notable contributions to this legislative body and to  
29 our state; and be it further

1           Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to  
2 Representative Rabhi as an expression of our gratitude and best  
3 wishes for the future.