Reps. Sak, Bieda, Paletko, Plakas, Stallworth, Byrum, Farrah, Spade, O'Neil, Rivet, Vagnozzi, Farhat, Elkins, Brown, Minore, Hardman, Law, Zelenko, Anderson, Woodward, Gillard, Whitmer, Tobocman, Daniels, Wojno, Gieleghem, Brandenburg, Condino, Dennis, Richardville, Waters, Clack, Hager, Hopgood, Kolb, Murphy, Stewart, Adamini, Caul, DeRossett, Jamnick, Julian, Lipsey and Sheltrown offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 115.

A resolution offered to recognize Labor Day 2003 in honor of Michigan's men and women of labor.

Whereas, Michigan has a long-standing tradition of supporting the rights of working men and women and their right to organize and collectively bargain; and

Whereas, Michigan's economic success of the past and prospects for the future have been built on the backs of Michigan's hardworking men and women; and

Whereas, We thank the strength and solidarity of the labor movement of the 1950s that helped significantly increase the incomes of Michigan's working families; and

Whereas, We thank the vigor and dedication of the labor movement that helped establish health benefits for workers, improve worker's safety and stimulate local and regional economies; and

Whereas, We thank the vitality and devotion of the labor movement that helped build our public education, transportation and economic systems; and

Whereas, Today's workers and their unions help to maintain a high quality of living by keeping their wages respectable and improving their benefit packages for their families; and

Whereas, Today's workers and their unions also protect those who have historically been under-represented and more vulnerable to discrimination; and

Whereas, Men and women of labor have seen a career growth and have sought to continually learn how to utilize new technologies for work and safety and improvement in industries and technologies; and

Whereas, The working men and women of Michigan built the foundation for the economic success of today and for tomorrow; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body hereby honor the working men and women of Michigan as we celebrate Labor Day 2003.