

Reps. Gosselin, Hummel, Shaffer, Taub, Vander Veen, Kooiman, Steil, Stahl, Sheen, Robertson, Moolenaar, Garfield, Casperson, Pastor, Jones, Stakoe, David Law, Ward, Palmer, Marleau, Baxter, Nitz, LaJoy, Pearce, Hildenbrand, Palsrok, Emmons, Schuitmaker, Mortimer, Kahn, Brandenburg, Cushingberry, Elsenheimer and Nofs offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 280.

A resolution to urge the Michigan Capitol Committee to recommend that a display of the Hanukkah Menorah be placed on the Capitol grounds.

Whereas, From the arrival of the first Jewish settlers in 1761 to the present day in Michigan, the Jewish community has made many positive cultural and civic contributions to the Great Lakes State; and

Whereas, The presence of this community is evident across the state of Michigan and written in its history; and

Whereas, The lives and work of Michigan Jewish citizens can be seen in architecture, the old Jewish neighborhoods of Detroit, the historic Temple Beth El, the Jewish soldiers who fought in the Civil War, and those who contribute to enhance this state with a unique cultural character; and

Whereas, The Jewish holiday of Hanukkah is an important celebration of the human spirit that is a noted contributor to Michigan civic life; and

Whereas, The Michigan Capitol Committee was created by 1987 PA 123 to make recommendations to the leadership of the House, the Senate, and the Governor on the maintenance of the Capitol and its grounds. This committee, which is comprised of four members of the House of Representatives appointed by the Speaker, four members of the Senate appointed by the Majority Leader, and four members from the Executive Branch appointed by the Governor, may make recommendations to the Speaker, the Majority Leader, and the Governor regarding the implementation of all permanent physical changes to be made in or on the Capitol. Under the provisions of MCL § 4.1702, "Such recommendations shall take effect 15 days after the submission to the governor, senate majority leader and speaker of the house of representatives unless rejected in writing by the governor, senate majority leader or speaker of the house of representatives"; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge the Michigan Capitol Committee to recommend to the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Senate Majority Leader, and the Governor that a display of a Hanukkah Menorah be placed on the Capitol grounds; and be it further

Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the members of the Michigan Capitol Committee.