

Reps. Hopgood, Accavitti, Ball, Bauer, Bieda, Brown, Clack, Condino, Gillard, Gonzales, Green, Hammel, Hammon, Huizenga, Johnson, Rick Jones, Lahti, Kathleen Law, LeBlanc, Lemmons, Marleau, Mayes, Miller, Pearce, Polidori, Proos, Sak, Shaffer, Sheltroun, Alma Smith, Spade, Stahl, Tobocman, Warren, Wojno, Farrah, Vagnozzi, Clemente, Dean and Meisner offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 246.

A resolution recognizing January 13, 2008, as Korean American Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, On January 13, 1903, 102 Korean natives first arrived on the shores of Hawaii in search of a better life; and

Whereas, The Centennial Committees of Korean Immigration and Korean Americans designated January 13 of each year as Korean American Day in honor of this voyage and the lasting, expanding, imprint of Korean American contributions on American society; and

Whereas, The state of Michigan and the United States of America have been enriched by the contributions of Korean Americans to all facets of life, including the arts, sciences, business, education, and philanthropy; and

Whereas, The state of Michigan is fortunate to be home to almost 30,000 Korean Americans who, in each generation, have enhanced our culture, quality of life, and economic vitality through their leadership, commitments to knowledge and advancement, and dedication to their communities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body commemorate January 13, 2008, as Korean American Day in the state of Michigan. We encourage all citizens to celebrate the invaluable contributions of Korean Americans to this state and to this country.