

Rep. Mayes offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 295.

A resolution designating March 1st through 7th, 2008, as Michigan Weights and Measures Week.

Whereas, We recognize the importance of the Weights and Measures program of the Michigan Department of Agriculture Laboratory Division which serves to meet the public need of standard weights and measures in the state of Michigan; and

Whereas, The employees of the Weights and Measures program are responsible for ensuring that all weighing and measuring devices used in commerce are accurate in both their design and operation; and

Whereas, Weights and measures activities have an estimated economic impact of over \$170 billion in Michigan annually; and

Whereas, This year's theme "Michigan Weights and Measures - Balancing the Marketplace" recognizes Michigan as one of the eight original states that partnered together in 1905 to begin establishing nationwide uniform weights and measures requirements that promoted a competitive, fair marketplace and also served to strengthen Michigan's diverse economy; and

Whereas, Each year, the first week in March is set aside to commemorate the enactment in 1799 of our nation's first Weights and Measures law and to increase public awareness of the importance of this law; be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body designate the week of March 1 - 7, 2008, as Michigan Weights and Measures Week; and be it further

Resolved, That we recognize the partnership role that the Weights and Measures Division of the Michigan Department of Agriculture plays, and applaud their cooperative collaborative efforts to increase awareness of standard weights and measures within the state of Michigan.