

The Speaker, on behalf of the entire membership of the House of Representatives, offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 505.

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Glenn Steil, Jr.

Whereas, As he concludes his service to the Michigan House of Representatives, the members of this legislative body deem it a great honor to congratulate Representative Steil at the end of his 6 years of service. Born and raised in Grand Rapids and the son of a former State Senator, Glenn Steil was exposed to the political process at an early age and developed leadership skills through observation and participation. He earned associate's and bachelor's degrees from Davenport University on his way to becoming vice president in his family's furniture business. His experience and responsible leadership served him well in his 3-term career of public service in the House, where colleagues and staff members appreciated his outstanding work; and

Whereas, Representative Steil believes that future generations are our state's greatest natural resource and has worked diligently to protect their interests. He has generated funding to expand a YMCA, secured funds for Grand Rapids Youth Commonwealth, and voted often to protect the educational quality of our children. He has kept a watchful eye on our school systems while serving on the Education Committee and, as a member of the Appropriations Committee during the Ninety-second and Ninety-third Legislatures, worked to develop the budgets for higher education, school aid, the Department of Education, and the Family Independence Agency. He also chaired the Judiciary Subcommittee in 2005-2006; and

Whereas, Representative Steil also utilized his considerable business experience and background to serve with distinction on the Labor and Tax Policy Committees as well as serving as vice-chair of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Economic Development. His knowledge and deep personal belief in our system of self-government have made him a most effective contributor to the legislative process; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this expression of gratitude to commend and thank the Honorable Glenn Steil, Jr., for his notable contribution to this legislative body and our entire state; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Representative Steill as evidence of our esteem and best wishes.