

Senators Kuipers, Cropsey, Basham, Jansen, Hunter, Scott, Clark-Coleman, Clarke, Anderson, Cassis, Brown, Schauer, Garcia, Allen, Pappageorge, Switalski and Gleason offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 175.

A resolution commemorating the 40th Anniversary of Focus: HOPE.

Whereas, It is a great honor and a distinct personal privilege to join in commemorating the 40th Anniversary of Focus: HOPE. This occasion provides a wonderful opportunity to recognize the commitment that Focus: HOPE has demonstrated throughout the last 40 years in its support of countless individuals seeking to improve their quality of life; and

Whereas, Focus: HOPE, a civil and human rights organization founded in 1968, began as the decision of several people to face an acute social and moral crisis. Specifically, Focus: HOPE seeks to provide opportunities for all people to enter the economic mainstream, and together with its practical and intelligent approach to solving problems, it has developed several highly-respected education and training programs; and

Whereas, Over the last 40 years, Focus: HOPE has provided thousands of individuals with the opportunity to overcome racism, poverty, and injustice. The dedication of the staff to ensure continuing access to such an opportunity is commendable, and we are proud to recognize this milestone with them; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby commemorate the 40th Anniversary of Focus: HOPE. We salute Focus: HOPE on this happy occasion, and we wish them well in the years to come.