

Senator Meekhof offered the following resolution:

**Senate Resolution No. 208.**

A resolution of tribute for the Honorable Randy Richardville.

Whereas, It is a privilege to extend the congratulations of the Senate to the Honorable Randy Richardville as he concludes his service to the state of Michigan as a member of the Legislature. For 14 years, he has provided committed leadership in this chamber and in the House of Representatives: developing practical solutions, building consensus, and generally working to make our state a better place to live, work, and raise a family; and

Whereas, A native of Monroe County, Randy Richardville graduated from Albion College with a degree in economics and from Aquinas College with a Master of Management. He would go on to a career in business, working for Michigan companies, such as La-Z-Boy and Herman Miller. In 1998, he was first elected to represent the Fifty-sixth District in the House of Representatives; and

Whereas, For six years as a State Representative, Randy Richardville championed causes important to the residents of Michigan, working to promote economic development, create jobs, protect children, and conserve our natural resources. In his final House term, he was chosen by his peers to serve as Majority Floor Leader. In 2006 and 2010, Randy Richardville was elected to the Senate, representing the Seventeenth District; and

Whereas, For the last four years, Senator Richardville has lead this chamber as the Senate Majority Leader. Under his dedicated leadership, the Senate has helped restore fiscal stability to the state's budget while laying the groundwork for Michigan's recovery from the Great Recession. For this work and his past efforts on many issues, he has been recognized by numerous groups, including the Small Business Association of Michigan, the Michigan Sheriffs' Association, the Michigan United Conservation Clubs, the Autism Alliance of Michigan, and the Michigan Children's Trust Fund; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we offer this expression of tribute to commend and thank the Honorable Randy Richardville for his distinguished work with this legislative body and notable contributions to our entire state; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Senator Richardville as evidence of our gratitude and best wishes.