

# HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 161

Reps. Bruck, Aiyash, Alexander, Bezotte, Bollin, Brabec, Breen, Churches, Fitzgerald, Fox, Glanville, Jaime Greene, Haadsma, Hill, Hope, Koleszar, Lightner, Martin, McFall, Morse, Paiz, Price, Rheingans, Rogers, Schuette, Shannon, Weiss, Wilson and Young offered the following resolution:

1           A resolution to honor Michigan's veterans.

2           Whereas, There are 16.2 million veterans in the United States  
3 and 568,000 veterans in Michigan who are deserving of our highest  
4 praise and greatest admiration; and

5           Whereas, Veterans, along with their families, sacrifice very  
6 much to ensure our freedom and liberty. The people of Michigan and  
7 the United States are eternally grateful; and

8           Whereas, The state of Michigan is mindful that each passing

1 day leaves us with fewer of those who valiantly served our nation  
2 in our darkest days; and

3       Whereas, We honor those who have fallen in past and current  
4 conflicts in the service of freedom and remember their ultimate  
5 sacrifice each passing year. We wait for service members to arrive  
6 home from battlefields across the globe. We pledge to honor and  
7 respect veterans upon their return; and

8       Whereas, Some veterans returned home wounded in defense of our  
9 country, and many more returned home with scars that cannot be  
10 seen; and

11       Whereas, Gen. MacArthur said "The soldier above all others  
12 prays for peace, for it is the soldier who must suffer and bear the  
13 deepest wounds and scars of war;" and

14       Whereas, We can never truly repay all that veterans have  
15 sacrificed for this great country. It is only right that we honor  
16 them and their sacrifices by ensuring they have the necessary tools  
17 to succeed when they return home; and

18       Whereas, It is important to promote and support solutions to  
19 the unique challenges that veterans face. We commit to fight for  
20 worthy policies for veterans; and

21       Whereas, During the month that we celebrate Veterans Day, we  
22 recognize that, whether living veterans of World War II to current  
23 conflicts, veterans have served our country in the most important  
24 role of our government—as protectors of freedom, and have formed  
25 the foundation upon which we continue to build this nation; now,  
26 therefore, be it

27       Resolved, by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
28 this legislative body honor Michigan veterans. We express our  
29 enduring gratitude and utmost respect for their service to both our

1 great state and our great nation.