

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 187

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

1 A resolution of tribute for LaMar Lemmons Jr., former member
2 of the Michigan House of Representatives.

3 Whereas, It is with great sorrow that the members of this
4 legislative body learned about the passing of LaMar Lemmons Jr. He
5 will be remembered as a dedicated public servant and leader who
6 loyally served his constituents in the Second Representative
7 District, which consisted of the northern part of Detroit in Wayne
8 County; and

9 Whereas, LaMar Lemmons Jr. was born in Savage, Mississippi on
10 June 23, 1936 to LaMar Sr. and Lucille Lemmons. After attending
11 Detroit Public Schools, he loyally served his country for four
12 years in the United States Air Force, including a stint at Ashiya
13 Air Force Base in Japan. After being honorably discharged from

1 military service, he returned to Detroit and attended the Detroit
2 Institute of Technology. Mr. Lemmons worked on the assembly line at
3 the Ford Motor Company but later moved to the Eppert Oil Company,
4 from which he retired after a long and storied career. He later
5 became the founder and President of Lemmons Transportation, a
6 company he ran with his son LaMar Lemmons III; and

7 Whereas, LaMar Lemmons Jr. was first elected to the House of
8 Representatives in 2004, where he faithfully served his
9 constituents, and all of Michigan's residents, dutifully until his
10 retirement in 2010. During his tenure, he was a member of the
11 committees on Commerce; Energy and Technology; Family and Children
12 Services; Insurance; Military and Veterans Affairs and Homeland
13 Security; and Senior Health, Security and Retirement. He also
14 served as a member of the Joint Committee on Administrative Rules
15 and the Michigan Legislative Black Caucus. As a member of one of
16 the few father-son teams to serve in the Michigan House of
17 Representatives at the same time, he served alongside his son,
18 LaMar Lemmons III from 2005 to 2006; and

19 Whereas, LaMar Lemmons Jr. is survived by his devoted wife,
20 Celestine; four children, LaMar III, Robert, Kenny, and Keey; a
21 loving sister, Irma Jean Martin; and a host of grandchildren,
22 nieces, nephews, family, and friends. His parents and daughter,
23 Deborah, preceded him in death; now, therefore, be it

24 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we offer this
25 resolution of tribute for LaMar Lemmons Jr., former member of the
26 Michigan House of Representatives; and be it further

27 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the
28 family of LaMar Lemmons Jr. as evidence of our lasting esteem for
29 his memory.