

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 75

Senator Klinefelt offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to designate October 8, 2025, as APEX Day.

2 Whereas, The APEX program, originally established as
3 Procurement Technical Assistance Centers (PTACs) in the early
4 1980s, was created to assist businesses in navigating the complex
5 federal procurement process and to increase small business
6 participation in government contracting; and

7 Whereas, This year marks the 40th anniversary of the APEX
8 program, which was formally authorized by Congress in 1985,
9 recognizing its vital role in strengthening the nation's industrial
10 base and supporting small businesses in accessing government
11 contracts; and

12 Whereas, Over the past four decades, the program has evolved
13 and expanded nationally, providing essential expertise, counseling,
14 and training that enables businesses to compete successfully for

1 government contracts, thereby promoting economic growth and job
2 creation across Michigan and the United States; and

3 Whereas, The Michigan Alliance of APEX Accelerators (MAAA)
4 serves as a statewide network of procurement assistance centers
5 dedicated to helping Michigan businesses access contracting
6 opportunities at the federal, state, and local levels; and

7 Whereas, Last year, Michigan APEX Accelerators supported 3,420
8 businesses, helping to create 24,180 jobs throughout the state and
9 assisting businesses in securing \$2.23 billion in prime and
10 subcontract awards, significantly contributing to Michigan's
11 economic vitality; and

12 Whereas, We acknowledge the value and contribution of APEX
13 Accelerators in strengthening the local and national defense
14 industrial base, expanding procurement opportunities, and
15 supporting the overall prosperity of Michigan's economy; now,
16 therefore, be it

17 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
18 body designate October 8, 2025, as APEX Day; and be it further

19 Resolved, That we honor the outstanding work of Michigan APEX
20 Accelerators and their commitment to supporting the growth and
21 success of small businesses across the state.