

Reps. Anderson, Law, Byrum, Waters, Minore, Jamnick, Zelenko, Kolb, Gielegem, Woodward, Spade, Elkins, Cheeks, Adamini, Accavitti, Stewart, O'Neil, Vagnozzi, Gleason, Williams, Hopgood, Murphy, Sak, Whitmer, Brown, Hood, Bieda, Stallworth, Meisner, McConico, Dennis, Farrah, Reeves, Phillips and Hardman offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 205.

A resolution to call on the President of the United States to remove the Chairman of the White House Council of Economic Advisors and to express strong opposition to the outsourcing of American jobs.

Whereas, Many people in Michigan and across the country have expressed outrage over statements made by the President's top economic advisor regarding the outsourcing of American jobs to other countries. In the face of massive job losses, especially in the manufacturing sector, Chairman Gregory Mankiw's recent remarks on what he called the economic merits of outsourcing have demonstrated an insensitivity to the American worker that is most distressing; and

Whereas, In the past three years alone, nearly 2.8 million American factory jobs have been lost. Nowhere has this loss of manufacturing been more keenly felt than in Michigan. The competition facing the American worker is more intense than at any time in the past, as the standards of safety, environmental concerns, and fair labor practices in our country, subsidization policies in some countries, and miniscule wage levels combine to move jobs away from our country. While this is often portrayed as a challenge to blue collar employment, many types of jobs are now being exported, including in the high tech sector; and

Whereas, A person serving the country as the President's chief economic advisor clearly must be sensitive to the impact that economic policies have on the households of American workers. Statements that ignore the hardships and fear felt in too many families across this country are offensive to all Americans who care about their neighbors and our shared future; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we call on the President of the United States to remove Chairman Gregory Mankiw of the White House Council of Economic Advisors from his responsibilities and express our strong opposition to the outsourcing of American jobs; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Office of the President of the United States.

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