

Senator Casperson offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 116.

A resolution recognizing the Pine Mountain Ski Jump in Dickinson County, Michigan, on the 75th Anniversary of its first competition.

Whereas, The impressive record of performance that the Jump has hosted over the years provides an ongoing inspiration to local residents and visitors alike and brings with it a significant contribution to the regional economy; and

Whereas, With a scaffold height of 176 feet and a scaffold length of 380 feet, Pine Mountain is one of the highest artificially-created ski jumps in the world; and

Whereas, Each February, it hosts a Jump Weekend sponsored by the Pine Mountain Kiwanis Ski Club, an event that draws nearly 20,000 spectators; and

Whereas, Record-setting has become a tradition there, with top ski jumpers from the United States, Austria, Norway, Finland, and Germany joining in that tradition; and

Whereas, The spectacle of professional athletes launching themselves from a ten-story scaffold, maintaining their poise midair, and then landing in a four-block outrun is an attraction worthy of a world-class sporting venue. It is a tribute to all those who have worked to maintain Pine Mountain through the years that it has attained its current status; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby recognize the Pine Mountain Ski Jump in Dickinson County on the 75th Anniversary of its first competition; and be it further

Resolved, That we offer this expression of highest tribute to the community in Iron Mountain for the vision that brought the ski jump into being, and we look forward to many more decades of its notable place in the world of competitive winter sports; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Pine Mountain Kiwanis Ski Club, the UP Sports Hall of Fame, the U.S. Ski Jumping Hall of Fame, and the Dickinson County Board of Commissioners as evidence of our highest esteem.