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October 2, 2003

Mr. Lawrence W. Reed
Mackinac Center for Public Policy
140 West Main Street
Midland, MI 48640

Dear Mr. Reed:


At the first meeting of the Commission following Joseph Overton's untimely death, the Commission passed the enclosed resolution.

I would appreciate your placing this with the other tributes concerning Joe from around the world.

Your and our loss is deeply felt.

Sincerely,

On behalf of the Appellate Defender Commission,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Oliver C. Mitchell, Jr." followed by a small "ws" in the bottom right corner.

Oliver C. Mitchell, Jr.
Chairman

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Enclosure

RESOLUTION OF TRIBUTE TO THE LATE JOSEPH P. OVERTON

Appellate Defender Commission

Whereas, the Michigan Appellate Defender Commission mourns the untimely death on June 30, 2003 of its Chair, Joseph P. Overton; and

Whereas, Joseph P. Overton unselfishly contributed his time, energy, and creativity to improving the State Appellate Defender Office and the Michigan Appellate Assigned Counsel System on behalf of the public and the clients they serve; and

Whereas, Joseph P. Overton's integrity, honor and intelligence enhanced all those around him; and

Whereas, Joseph P. Overton's outstanding personal qualities will be greatly missed;

Therefore be it resolved that the Michigan Appellate Defender Commission pays tribute to Joseph P. Overton's life and gives thanks for his service, and further extends to his family and coworkers its deepest sympathies and sincerest condolences on their and our great loss.

September 17, 2003