

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 82

Reps. Tsernoglou, Arbit, Brabec, Breen, Brixie, Byrnes, Tyrone Carter, Fitzgerald, Glanville, Haadsma, Hill, Hope, Hoskins, Liberati, McFall, Morse, Pohutsky, Price, Rheingans, Rogers, Stone, Wilson and Witwer offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare April 23-April 29, 2023, as
2 Infertility Awareness Week in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, According to the Centers for Disease Control and
4 Prevention, 1 in 8 couples have trouble getting pregnant or
5 sustaining a pregnancy; and

6 Whereas, The World Health Organization and American Medical
7 Association define infertility as a disease; and

8 Whereas, Infertility affects women and men equally and does
9 not discriminate based on race, religion, sexual orientation,

1 marital status, or socioeconomic status; and

2 Whereas, The LGBTQ+ community also faces challenges when
3 building their families; and

4 Whereas, All people facing infertility challenges should have
5 access to all family building options; and

6 Whereas, Family building options include adoption and medical
7 treatment, such as in vitro fertilization and third-party
8 reproduction; and

9 Whereas, Cost and lack of insurance coverage are barriers for
10 many to access the family building option they need; and

11 Whereas, Racial and socioeconomic disparities exist among
12 those accessing fertility care, therefore raising awareness of
13 infertility and the barriers faced by the family building community
14 is the first step to removing these barriers; and

15 Whereas, Michigan joins the National Infertility Association
16 and dedicated volunteers, health care professionals, and members of
17 the infertility and family building community by participating in
18 this promotion; now, therefore, be it

19 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
20 this legislative body declare April 23-29, 2023, as Infertility
21 Awareness Week in the state of Michigan.