## MICHIGAN SENATE

## Senate Resolution No. 29

Offered by Senators Daley, Bayer and Theis

## A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE APRIL 2023 AS DONATE LIFE MONTH

WHEREAS, More than 2,400 Michigan residents are currently waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant and thousands more would benefit from tissue and corneal transplants; and

WHEREAS, Michigan has about 4.4 million people on the Organ Donor Registry, but more than 42 percent of adults have not yet registered to save and heal others; and

WHEREAS, The need for organ, tissue, and eye donations remains a critical need in both Michigan and the United States; and

WHEREAS, Nationwide, an average of 20 people die each day because a donated organ did not become available; and

WHEREAS, Organ, tissue, and eye donation can provide families that are tragically confronted by the death of a loved one the comfort of knowing that the gift of life provides another person with renewed hope for a healthy life; and

WHEREAS, A single organ, tissue, and eye donation can save eight lives and improve the lives of up to 75 people; and

WHEREAS, The act of giving the gift of life through organ, tissue, and eye donation to someone facing imminent death, or living with blindness or a disability, is the ultimate act of generosity and kindness; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the members of this legislative body recognize April 2023 as Donate Life Month; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we encourage all residents to join the Michigan Organ Donor Registry, share their decision with their families, friends, and colleagues, and encourage them to do the same.

Adopted by the Senate, April 12, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate