MICHIGAN SENATE

Senate Resolution No. 37

Offered by Senators Cherry, Brinks, Geiss, Moss and Singh

A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE APRIL 28, 2023, AS WORKERS' MEMORIAL DAY

WHEREAS, Every year on April 28, communities and worksites around the world honor friends, family members, and colleagues who have been killed or injured on the job; and

WHEREAS, In 2021, The Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics estimated that 5,190 workers were killed by traumatic injuries on the job. On average, nearly 100 workers died weekly, at roughly 14 workplace deaths a day; and

WHEREAS, In Michigan, 1,401 workers were lost through fatal workplace accidents in 2021; and

WHEREAS, It is appropriate to honor the memory of the courageous and dedicated members of Michigan's labor force who have been injured or disabled or have died as a result of workplace accidents; and

WHEREAS, It is necessary to recognize the integrity of Michigan's workforce and its achievements on behalf of the economic growth of our state; and

WHEREAS, We remember those who have died in workplace catastrophes, suffered occupational-related diseases, or have been injured due to dangerous conditions; and

WHEREAS, We renew our effort to seek stronger workplace safety and health protections, better standards and enforcement, and fair and just compensation. We rededicate ourselves to improving both safety and health in every workplace; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the members of this legislative body recognize April 28, 2023, as Workers' Memorial Day. We pay tribute to the workers who have died or been injured or disabled in workplace accidents; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge all citizens to recognize and honor the contributions of Michigan's workforce and call for increased workplace safety standards.

Adopted by the Senate, April 27, 2023.

Secretary of the Senate