HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.79

Reps. Manoogian, Byrd, Yancey, Gay-Dagnogo, Liberati, Sheppard, Filler, Camilleri, Whitsett, Chirkun, Clemente, Crawford, Garza, Haadsma, Hood, Jones, Kuppa, Lasinski, Love, Pagan, Rabhi, Sabo, Shannon, Sneller, Sowerby, Stone, Warren, Wittenberg and Witwer offered the following resolution:

- 1 A resolution to declare April 25, 2019, as Distracted Driving
- 2 Awareness Day in the state of Michigan.
- 3 Whereas, Distracted driving constitutes a serious threat to
- 4 public safety on Michigan's roads; and
- 5 Whereas, Distracted driving causes thousands of accidents and
- 6 hundreds of deaths nationally every year; and
- 7 Whereas, Michigan law prohibits texting while driving; and
- 8 Whereas, Mitchel Kiefer was tragically killed in Michigan in
- 9 2016 in an accident by a distracted driver; and

Whereas, Nearly 50% of young people say that they have texted 1 2 while driving and nearly 25% say that they text and drive every dav; and 3 4 Whereas, Michigan's roads would be made safer by a reduction in distracted driving; and 5 Whereas, The campaign against distracted driving has been 6 7 immensely aided by the efforts of law enforcement in Michigan; and 8 Whereas, This day dedicated to distracted driving awareness 9 will raise public consciousness of the dangers of distracted 10 driving in the state of Michigan; now, therefore, be it 11 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of 12 this legislative body declare April 25, 2019, as Distracted Driving 13 Awareness Day in the state of Michigan.