HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.193

Reps. Brenda Carter, Clemente, Crawford, Garza, Hood, Hope, Cynthia Johnson, Jones, Kahle, Kuppa, Lasinski, Love, Manoogian, Pagan, Sabo, Sneller, Stone, Warren, Wittenberg and Witwer offered the following resolution:

- 1 A resolution to declare November 2019 as Poverty and
- 2 Homelessness Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.
- 3 Whereas, Last year more than 65,000 residents throughout
- 4 Michigan experienced homelessness; and
- 5 Whereas, 11,317 households with children were homeless in
- 6 2018. The number of families affected by homelessness or at-risk of
- 7 having inadequate or unstable housing continues to be a significant
- 8 community issue; and
- 9 Whereas, The number of seniors, aged 55 and above,

- 1 experiencing homelessness is continuously increasing. In 2018,
- 2 8,367 seniors experienced homelessness; and
- 3 Whereas, The Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness, the
- 4 Michigan State Housing Development Authority, supporters of
- 5 Michigan's Campaign to End Homelessness, and the Michigan
- 6 Legislative Caucus on Poverty and Homelessness are some of the many
- 7 dedicated organizations in this state whose efforts continue to
- 8 make a difference in the lives of many homeless citizens in our
- 9 communities; and
- 10 Whereas, The Campaign to End Homelessness and its many
- 11 supporters helped bring about a 9 percent decrease in the number of
- 12 persons counted living on the streets from 2015-2017; now,
- 13 therefore, be it
- 14 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 15 this legislative body declare November 2019 as Poverty and
- 16 Homelessness Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.