

# HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.107

Reps. Beeler, Bierlein, Harris, DeBoer, Lightner, Martin, Kunse, Thompson, BeGole, Alexander, Fox, DeBoyer, Filler, Borton, Markkanen, Bollin, Schmaltz, Cavitt, Zorn, Jaime Greene, DeSana, St. Germaine, VanderWall, Aiyash, Glanville, Haadsma, Hope and Shannon offered the following resolution:

1           A resolution to declare May 14-20, 2023, as Police Week in the  
2 state of Michigan.

3           Whereas, In 1962, President Kennedy proclaimed May 15 as  
4 National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week in which  
5 May 15 falls as National Police Week. Established by a joint  
6 resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays special  
7 recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost their  
8 lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of others;  
9 and

1           Whereas, There are more than 800,000 law enforcement officers  
2 serving in communities across the United States, including the  
3 approximately 17,000 full-time uniformed police officers in  
4 Michigan. These dedicated individuals serve in more than 600 state,  
5 county, and local departments; and

6           Whereas, Members of law enforcement deserve the appreciation  
7 and respect of the people of Michigan for the merit, dignity,  
8 bravery, and reliability they exhibit each and every day. We must  
9 also honor the sacrifices made by families of police officers, as  
10 each day they must face constant fear as their loved one works to  
11 protect us; and

12           Whereas, In 2022 alone, 245 law enforcement officers were  
13 killed in the line of duty across the country. The names of these  
14 dedicated public servants are engraved on the walls of the National  
15 Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C.; and

16           Whereas, Michigan's fallen officers will never be forgotten,  
17 nor will their service to their respective communities. By choosing  
18 to commit themselves to law enforcement, these brave individuals  
19 answered the call for service and willingly put their lives in  
20 jeopardy. We commend them for recognizing service as a noble  
21 career, and protecting the public safety; and

22           Whereas, Michigan citizens have turned to members of law  
23 enforcement for assistance and support in times of distress,  
24 whether they are coping with a personal crisis, or struggling  
25 through civil disorder or a natural disaster. Our communities rely  
26 on these courageous individuals when it is difficult to stand on  
27 our own, and we are indebted to the unwavering public service of  
28 our local and state police. We are indeed fortunate and grateful  
29 for the contributions of law enforcement officers to the people of

1 this state; now, therefore, be it

2       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
3 this legislative body declare May 14-20, 2023, as Police Week in  
4 the state of Michigan. We publicly salute the service of law  
5 enforcement officers in our state and nation and honor police who  
6 place their lives on the line for the safety and security of their  
7 communities.