

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 190

Reps. Fox, Phil Green, Schuette, Alexander, Bierlein, Steele, Fink, Tisdell, DeBoer, Friske, Kunse, Rigas, Markkanen, Cavitt, Hoadley, Outman, Neyer, Martin, Aragona, Beson, BeGole, Bruck, Meerman, Roth, Prestin, Zorn, Borton, Posthumus, Thompson, Beeler, VanderWall, Harris, Wozniak, Bezotte, Paquette, Mueller, DeSana, Smit, Breen, Glanville, Haadsma, Paiz, Rheingans and Wilson offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare February 14, 2024, as National Donor
2 Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Around 2,500 Michigan residents are currently waiting
4 for a lifesaving organ transplant and thousands more would benefit
5 from tissue and corneal transplants; and

6 Whereas, Michigan has about 4.2 million people on the Organ

1 Donor Registry, but more than 42 percent of adults have not yet
2 registered to save and heal others; and

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

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

7 Whereas, Organ donation can provide families that are
8 tragically confronted by the death of a loved one the comfort of
9 knowing that their gift provides another person with renewed hope
10 for a healthy life; and

11 Whereas, A single organ donation can save a life and
12 positively impact the lives of the recipient's family and friends;
13 and

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

18 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
19 this legislative body declare February 14, 2024, as National Donor
20 Day in the state of Michigan; and be it further

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