

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 11

Rep. Steele offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare January 2023 as National Blood Donor
2 Month in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, The United States Congress, by Senate Joint
4 Resolution 154, requested the President to issue a proclamation
5 designating the month of January 1970 as National Blood Donor
6 Month; and

7 Whereas, President Richard M. Nixon designated the month of
8 January 1970 as the first National Blood Donor Month in the United
9 States of America; and

10 Whereas, The genuine concern for our fellow countrymen has
11 always distinguished the American citizen; and

12 Whereas, Approximately 29,000 units of red blood cells are
13 needed every day in the United States; and

1 Whereas, Blood and platelets cannot be manufactured; they can
2 only come from volunteer donors; and

3 Whereas, One donation can help save more than one life; and

4 Whereas, The ranks of the voluntary blood donor have continued
5 to grow and to make unparalleled contributions to the health of our
6 people; and

7 Whereas, The American Red Cross and the Association for the
8 Advancement of Blood & Biotherapies have mobilized and have been
9 encouraged by modern medical techniques for simple and efficient
10 collection and use of blood and its therapeutic components; and

11 Whereas, Each year, an estimated 6.8 million people in the
12 United States donate blood; and

13 Whereas, Approximately 13.6 million units of whole blood and
14 red blood cells are collected in the U.S. in a year; now,
15 therefore, be it

16 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
17 this legislative body declare January 2023 as National Blood Donor
18 Month in the state of Michigan; and be it further

19 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the
20 American Red Cross and the Association for the Advancement of Blood
21 & Biotherapies with our highest esteem.