

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 211

Rep. Rheingans offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare April 1-7, 2024, as National Public
2 Health Week in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Public health promotes positive living conditions for
4 the people and their communities; and

5 Whereas, Other aspects of public health are dedicated to
6 protecting and researching the health of communities; and

7 Whereas, Public health plays a vital role towards equity
8 through education, research, and action in communities, including
9 vulnerable populations; and

10 Whereas, The work focuses strongly on patient care through
11 compassion, innovation, and inclusion; and

12 Whereas, For hundreds of years, public health has evolved to

1 meet the needs of communities by focusing on public health
2 standards, research on disease prevention, violence prevention, and
3 health equity; and

4 Whereas, A public health worker utilizes evidence based
5 practices and research to best create preventative measures,
6 prepare for, minimize, and recover from the impact of a full range
7 of health threats; and

8 Whereas, From the University of Michigan, a reported 98% of
9 public health professionals after 2020 are employed or continuing
10 education within one year of graduation, adding to the clever work
11 this profession accomplishes in an abundant job market; and

12 Whereas, The American Public Health Association, founded in
13 1872 to advance the work of public health professionals, honors
14 these professionals annually; now, therefore, be it

15 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members
16 of this legislative body declare April 1-7, 2024, as National
17 Public Health Week in the state of Michigan. We recognize the
18 numerous contributions made by America's public health
19 professionals.