

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 178

Reps. Glanville, Breen, Fitzgerald, Fox, Kelly, Mentzer,
Miller, Paiz, Pohutsky and Witwer offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare September 20-27, 2025, as Michigan
2 Trails Week in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Michigan is home to one of the nation's most
4 extensive and diverse trail systems, encompassing more than 13,000
5 miles of state-designated trails for hiking, biking, horseback
6 riding, snowmobiling, off-road vehicles, and water routes; and

7 Whereas, Trails contribute significantly to Michigan's economy
8 by promoting tourism, supporting local businesses, and encouraging
9 outdoor recreation that attracts millions of residents and visitors
10 each year; and

11 Whereas, Michigan's trail system enhances the health and well-
12 being of our residents by providing safe, accessible opportunities
13 for exercise, nature appreciation, and stress reduction, while also

1 fostering family-friendly and intergenerational outdoor activities;
2 and

3 Whereas, Trails play a vital role in environmental
4 conservation by connecting communities to forests, lakes, rivers,
5 and natural resources while promoting stewardship and awareness of
6 Michigan's rich natural heritage; and

7 Whereas, Michigan Trails Week is a time to celebrate the
8 progress made in expanding and maintaining our trail network, to
9 recognize the efforts of volunteers, nonprofit organizations, and
10 governmental agencies, and to encourage greater public
11 participation in outdoor recreation; and

12 Whereas, During Michigan Trails Week, residents and visitors
13 are encouraged to explore, enjoy, and help maintain the state's
14 trail system, whether through recreational use, volunteer service,
15 or advocacy for continued investment in these community assets;
16 now, therefore, be it

17 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
18 this legislative body declare September 20-27, 2025, as Michigan
19 Trails Week in the state of Michigan; and be it further

20 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the
21 Michigan Department of Natural Resources and the Michigan Trails
22 and Greenways Alliance.