Senator Hood offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 137.

A resolution recognizing March 2018 as National Kidney Month and March 8, 2018, as World Kidney Day.

Whereas, More than 900,000 people in Michigan have kidney disease and most don't know it; and

Whereas, Diabetes and high blood pressure are the two leading causes of kidney disease; and Whereas, An estimated 70 percent of kidney disease cases can be prevented; and

Whereas, One in three kids born in the year 2000 will develop diabetes in their lifetime; and

Whereas, More than 2,800 people are currently waiting for a life-saving kidney transplant in Michigan; and

Whereas, Minority populations are at greater risk for developing kidney disease; and

Whereas, The National Kidney Foundation of Michigan's campaign encourages Michiganders to know their risk for kidney disease and make healthy lifestyle changes to reduce their risk; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize March 2018 as National Kidney Month and March 8, 2018, as World Kidney Day; and be it further

Resolved, That we urge all citizens to show their support for those fighting kidney disease and commemorate this day by wearing the color orange; and be it further

Resolved, That this increased awareness of kidney disease will encourage healthy lifestyles, and enable people to work together to fight kidney disease so we can save and improve the lives of Michiganders.