

Reps. Haines, Barnett, Brown, Crawford, Darany, Denby, Heise, Horn, Kandrevas, Knollenberg, Liss, MacMaster, Poleski, Rogers and Slavens offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 110.

A resolution to declare June 2011 as Squamous Cell Carcinoma Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The summer months encourage the people of Michigan to get outside and enjoy the beautiful outdoors, therefore, it is a necessity to remind citizens of the dangers of the sun and ultraviolet radiation. Squamous cell carcinoma has become an increased concern for members of our communities; and

Whereas, Squamous cell carcinoma is caused by changing cells. The changes may begin in skin that has been injured or inflamed or in standard skin. Squamous cell carcinoma can occur anywhere in the body but appears most often in areas that have had frequent sun exposure or other ultraviolet radiation including x-ray radiation; and

Whereas, Squamous cell carcinoma is a carcinomatous cancer occurring in multiple organs. It is the second most common skin cancer and the most common head and neck cancer; and

Whereas, Symptoms of squamous cell carcinoma can be a sore that does not heal, growing bumps that may have a rough, scaly surface and flat reddish patches, or any change in an existing skin lesion, wart, mole or lump; and

Whereas, We encourage citizens to take the proper precautions to prevent squamous cell carcinoma. It is recommended that the people avoid high ultraviolet radiation, properly use high-quality sunscreens and regularly check for any new suspicious growths or changes in an existing skin sore; and

Whereas, A large percentage of squamous cell carcinoma can be cured if treated early; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare June 2011 as Squamous Cell Carcinoma Awareness Month in the state of Michigan. We urge Michigan residents to become aware of the indications, symptoms, and prevention tactics of squamous cell carcinoma.