

Reps. Brown, Barnett, Byrum, Constan, Cotter, Darany, Durhal, Geiss, Hooker, Knollenberg, LeBlanc, Liss, Lori, Poleski, Segal, Slavens and Tyler offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 196.

A resolution to declare March 2, 2012, as Read Across America Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Members of the Michigan House of Representatives stand firmly committed to promoting reading as the catalyst for our students' future academic success, their preparation for America's jobs of the future, and their ability to compete in a global economy; and

Whereas, Michigan should provide leadership in the area of community involvement in the education of our youth, grounded in the principle that educational investment is key to the community's well-being and long-term quality of life; and

Whereas, "NEA's Read Across America," a national celebration of Dr. Seuss's 108th birthday on March 2, 2012, promotes reading and adult involvement in the education of our community's students; and

Whereas, Members of this chamber would like to work toward ensuring that every child is in a safe place reading together with a caring adult on March 2, 2012; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That members of this legislative body declare March 2, 2012, as Read Across America Day in the state of Michigan. We urge our communities to engage in programs and activities to make Michigan's children the best readers in the world.