

Rep. Slavens offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 205.

A resolution to declare March 2012 as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Colorectal cancer is the second leading cause of cancer-related deaths in the United States; and

Whereas, It is estimated that as many as 60 percent of colorectal cancer deaths could be prevented if all men and women aged 50 years or older were screened routinely; and

Whereas, Screening tests can find colorectal cancer early when treatment works best; and

Whereas, Studies show that increased physical activity and maintaining a healthy weight may decrease the risk for colorectal cancer; and

Whereas, The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) recommends screening for colorectal cancer for all people until they reach 75 years old and for some people when they are older than 75; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare March 2012 as Colorectal Cancer Awareness Month in the state of Michigan. We urge all citizens to observe this important occasion.