

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 223

Reps. Slagh, Hornberger, Allor, Garza, Lasinski, Liberati, Love and Pohutsky offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare January 31, 2020, as Omphalocele
2 Awareness Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, An omphalocele is a birth defect that occurs early in
4 pregnancy in which the abdominal wall does not close properly and
5 some or most of the abdominal organs protrude on the outside of the
6 fetus's body through the umbilical cord; and

7 Whereas, It is estimated that a small omphalocele occurs in
8 about 1 out of every 5,000 pregnancies and a large or giant
9 omphalocele occurs in about 1 out of every 10,000 pregnancies; and

10 Whereas, An omphalocele may be isolated or may be associated
11 with other defects or chromosomal abnormalities; and



1 Whereas, Despite the challenges a baby born with an
2 omphalocele may face, many babies who are born with an omphalocele
3 survive and go on to live happy, healthy lives; and

4 Whereas, Mothers of Omphaloceles, (MOO), is a group of parents
5 from around the world that was created to provide hope, support,
6 and information to families with babies diagnosed with an
7 omphalocele; now, therefore, be it

8 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
9 this legislative body declare January 31, 2020, as Omphalocele
10 Awareness Day in the state of Michigan. We recognize and commend
11 the Mothers of Omphaloceles for their courageous efforts to
12 advocate for their children.