

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 12

Reps. Slagh and Hornberger offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare January 31, 2019, 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

12 Whereas, Despite the challenges a baby born with an

1 omphalocele may face, many babies who are born with an omphalocele  
2 survive and go on to live happy, healthy lives; and

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

7       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
8 this legislative body declare January 31, 2019, as Omphalocele  
9 Awareness Day in the state of Michigan. We recognize and commend  
10 the Mothers of Omphaloces for their courageous efforts to  
11 advocate for their children.