

# HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 73

Rep. Bellino offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to declare April 18, 2019, as Lineman  
2 Appreciation Day in the state of Michigan.

3       Whereas, The linemen profession has existed for as long as  
4 electricity has been a standard part of modern living; and

5       Whereas, There are over 115,000 highly trained and skilled  
6 linemen in the United States, servicing 9 million miles of wire;  
7 and

8       Whereas, Linemen work under dangerous conditions in order to  
9 construct and maintain the energy infrastructure of the United  
10 States. Linemen are often the first responders during catastrophic  
11 events, making sure the scene is safe and work around the clock to  
12 restore power after a storm emergency. Linemen readily respond to



1 disaster recovery needs anywhere in the country through mutual  
2 assistance agreements; and

3       Whereas, Working in and around roadways is often required by  
4 men and women who repair and maintain electric lines which presents  
5 a daily danger. The Michigan Legislature has passed several public  
6 acts to require drivers to drive safely in work zones and provide  
7 penalties for those who don't respect these work zones; and

8       Whereas, It is important for Michigan to recognize and express  
9 our appreciation to these brave and dedicated men and women who put  
10 their lives at risk to ensure the safe and reliable delivery of  
11 power to our communities; now, therefore, be it

12       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
13 this legislative body declare April 18, 2019, as Lineman  
14 Appreciation Day in Michigan.