

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17

Reps. Haadsma, Witwer, Tyrone Carter, Steckloff, Garza, Shannon, Coleman, Liberati, Peterson, Neeley, Steenland, Brixie, Hope, O'Neal, Thanedar, Sabo, Hertel, Rogers, Hood, Koleszar, Ellison, LaGrand, Bolden, Morse, Aiyash, Young, Manoogian, Kuppa, Puri, Brenda Carter, Rabhi, Stone, Pohutsky, Tate, Cavanagh, Weiss, Sowerby, Clemente, Lasinski, Cherry, Brabec, Jones, Scott, Camilleri, Anthony and Yancey offered the following concurrent resolution:

1 A concurrent resolution to urge swift action to appropriate
2 the remaining federal pandemic relief funds.

3 Whereas, The federal government has enacted several pandemic
4 relief laws, including the American Rescue Plan Act and the
5 Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act, among
6 others. These federal relief packages provided crucial economic
7 support to communities in need. Most recently, the state of
8 Michigan received over \$6.5 billion from the American Rescue Plan

1 Act; and

2 Whereas, The Michigan Legislature has used funds from the
3 American Rescue Plan Act to provide for various improvements across
4 the state in areas such as health, housing, and labor.
5 Specifically, with the recent passage of Senate Bill 565 of 2021,
6 the Michigan Legislature appropriated \$4.7 billion gross, including
7 \$2.0 billion from the Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Fund
8 established under the American Rescue Plan Act, to improve
9 infrastructure. The appropriation allows for the improvement of
10 clean water infrastructure, broadband service, and residential
11 clean energy; and

12 Whereas, Approximately \$2.8 billion of funding under the
13 American Rescue Plan Act remains unappropriated. These funds must
14 be obligated by December 31, 2024 and spent by December 31, 2026.
15 With this funding, the Michigan Legislature is uniquely situated to
16 transform our state and local communities. The negative effects of
17 the COVID-19 pandemic remain, and it is the duty of Michigan's
18 elected leaders to provide much needed relief to the individuals
19 and small businesses that have suffered these effects; now,
20 therefore, be it

21 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
22 concurring), That we urge swift action to appropriate the remaining
23 federal pandemic relief funds; and be it further

24 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the
25 Governor, the Speaker of the Michigan House of Representatives, the
26 Senate Majority Leader, the House Minority Caucus Leader, and the
27 Senate Minority Caucus Leader.