

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.77

Reps. Borton, Allor, Brabec, Rogers, O'Neal, Hope, Sabo, Sowerby, Morse, Lightner, Anthony, Markkanen, Martin, Griffin, Alexander, Bezotte, Calley, Marino, Peterson, Rabhi, Haadsma, Aiyash, Breen, Cherry, Garza, Liberati, Sneller and Weiss offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare April 2021 as County Government Month
2 in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, County governments play a vital role in the delivery
4 of key public services as the original regional government in our
5 state; and

6 Whereas, April has been set aside nationally to highlight the
7 important work of counties across the United States; and

8 Whereas, The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the duties that
9 counties have for Michigan's public health and public safety; and

1 Whereas, Counties supervise programs such as mental health,
2 care for abused and neglected children, courts, vital records, land
3 and property records, disaster preparedness, solid waste
4 management, property tax administration, law enforcement, election
5 administration, and incarceration of convicts. These programs are
6 provided on behalf of and in conjunction with the state of
7 Michigan; and

8 Whereas, Local governments and counties collaborate to provide
9 such services as parks and recreation programs, senior citizen
10 services, medical care facilities, drainage systems, and
11 infrastructure construction and maintenance; and

12 Whereas, The theme for this year's County Government Month is
13 "Counties Matter" and focuses on the critical role counties play in
14 public life; and

15 Whereas, Each year since 1991, counties across the country
16 have actively promoted their own programs and services to the
17 public they serve; and

18 Whereas, During this month, we join with the local counties
19 and county commissioners to recognize and raise awareness of the
20 countless efforts and contributions of county boards of
21 commissioners throughout Michigan; now, therefore, be it

22 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That members of this
23 legislative body declare April 2021 as County Government Month in
24 the state of Michigan. We urge all citizens to observe the month
25 with appropriate programs and activities.