

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.147

Reps. Whitsett, Aiyash, Brabec, Brixie, Tyrone Carter, Cavanagh, Ellison, Haadsma, Hood, Jones, Kuppa, Morse, Sneller, Weiss and Young offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare September 2021 as PACE Awareness Month
2 in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, The Program of All-inclusive Care for the Elderly
4 (PACE) model maintains the philosophy that it is better for seniors
5 with chronic care needs to be served while continuing to live
6 independently in the community whenever safely possible; and

7 Whereas, PACE's fully integrated program of comprehensive care
8 allows eligible elderly residents who would normally need nursing
9 facility care to continue living independently alongside their
10 families with high-level medical services delivered right at home;
11 and

1 Whereas, PACE programs offer an extensive range of services
2 including but not limited to adult day care, meals, dentistry,
3 social services, transportation, primary, hospital, and nursing
4 home care; prescription drugs, emergency services, and more in
5 return for payments from Medicare and Medicaid, controlling costs
6 for the state while providing improved health outcomes and greater
7 satisfaction for participants; and

8 Whereas, The PACE Model of Care can be traced to a community
9 in San Francisco, California in the early 1970s. Now 50 years
10 later, PACE operates 13022 programs across 31 states ; and

11 Whereas, Michigan's first PACE program opened in 1995. Now
12 over 25 years later, more than 3,700 participants are served by 14
13 PACE programs across the state. This number will soon grow
14 following an expansion provided for by recent legislation passed in
15 Spring 2021; and

16 Whereas, Current PACE locations in the state of Michigan
17 include PACE Southeast Michigan, Care Resources, Life Circles PACE,
18 CenterCare, PACE of Southwest Michigan, Huron Valley PACE, Senior
19 CommUnity Care of Michigan, Great Lakes PACE, Genesys PACE, Thome
20 PACE, Community PACE at Home, PACE Central Michigan, PACE North,
21 and Sunrise PACE; now, therefore, be it

22 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
23 this legislative body declare September 2021 as PACE Awareness
24 Month in the state of Michigan.