

# HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 311

Reps. Manoogian, Rabhi, Kahle, Weiss, Aiyash, Bezotte, Brabec, Tyrone Carter, Cherry, Garza, Glanville, Haadsma, Hood, Hope, Koleszar, Morse, Rogers, Sabo, Sneller, Sowerby, Steenland, Thanedar and Young offered the following resolution:

1           A resolution to declare June 2022 as Alzheimer's and Brain  
2 Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.

3           Whereas, Alzheimer's disease, a progressive neurodegenerative  
4 brain disorder, tragically robs individuals of their memories and  
5 leads to progressive mental and physical impairments; and

6           Whereas, There are no known treatments to prevent, cure, or  
7 even delay the onset or slow the progression of Alzheimer's  
8 disease; and

9           Whereas, An estimated 5.6 million people aged 65 and over have

1 Alzheimer's disease and another 200,000 people under age 65 have  
2 younger-onset Alzheimer's disease; and

3       Whereas, In Michigan, there are an estimated 190,000 people  
4 aged 65 and over currently living with Alzheimer's, with that  
5 number projected to grow to 220,000 by 2025; and

6       Whereas, Alzheimer's disease is the sixth leading cause of  
7 death in the United States and the fifth leading cause among the  
8 elderly; and

9       Whereas, According to the Alzheimer's Association's Facts and  
10 Figures report, the direct costs of caring for those with  
11 Alzheimer's is valued at \$271 billion and more than 11 million  
12 caregivers provided over 16 billion hours of unpaid care for those  
13 with Alzheimer's and other dementias in 2021. In Michigan, 466,000  
14 family members and friends cared for people with Alzheimer's and  
15 other dementias, providing 495 million hours of unpaid care; and

16       Whereas, The state of Michigan recognizes the efforts of the  
17 Alzheimer's Association to raise funds and promote awareness to  
18 fight Alzheimer's disease and other dementias, thereby improving  
19 the quality of human life for those living with Alzheimer's  
20 disease, their families and their caregivers; and

21       Whereas, The month of June 2022 has been declared Alzheimer's  
22 Month to help spread awareness and educate the public on this  
23 debilitating disease and the need to increase efforts to combat its  
24 human and economic costs; now, therefore, be it

25       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
26 this legislative body declare June 2022 as Alzheimer's and Brain  
27 Awareness Month in the state of Michigan. We recognize the  
28 individuals, families, friends, and caregivers dealing with  
29 Alzheimer's disease and the researchers who are seeking a cause or

- 1 cure, and urge all residents to wear purple to help spread
- 2 awareness of the Alzheimer's Association's vision of imagining a
- 3 world without Alzheimer's disease.