

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.343

Reps. Green, Bezotte, Breen, Brixie, Garza, Haadsma, Hope, Cynthia Johnson, Kuppa, Manoogian, Marino, Morse, Rogers, Sneller and Stone offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to declare September 2022 as Childhood Cancer  
2 Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.

3       Whereas, It is estimated that approximately 10,470 children in  
4 the United States under the age of 15 will be diagnosed with cancer  
5 in 2022; and

6       Whereas, Children's cancer affects all ethnic, gender, and  
7 socio-economic groups; and

8       Whereas, Cancer is the second leading cause of death in  
9 children under the age of 15; and

10       Whereas, Great strides have been made since the mid-1970s in

1 the fight against pediatric cancer. Because of major treatment  
2 advances in recent decades, approximately 85 percent of children  
3 with cancer now survive 5 years or more; and

4       Whereas, Increased awareness, support, and study may help to  
5 further improve these statistics and further protect our children  
6 from these serious diseases; and

7       Whereas, We should renew our commitment to curing childhood  
8 cancer and offer our support to the brave young people who are  
9 fighting this disease; and

10       Whereas, To honor the memory of every young person lost to  
11 cancer, we must unite behind improved treatment, advanced research,  
12 and brighter futures for young people everywhere; and

13       Whereas, We also recognize the amazing strength of the  
14 families of children who suffer from this illness; and

15       Whereas, The ability of many families to turn their grief into  
16 positive action for other children who have been diagnosed with  
17 cancer is truly inspirational; and

18       Whereas, All children deserve the chance to dream, discover,  
19 and realize their full potential; now, therefore, be it

20       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
21 this legislative body declare September 2022 as Childhood Cancer  
22 Awareness Month in the state of Michigan, and be it further

23       Resolved, That this month and every month, we extend our  
24 support to young people fighting for their future opportunities and  
25 recognize all who commit themselves to advancing toward the goal of  
26 a cancer-free world.