

# MICHIGAN SENATE

## Senate Resolution No. 52

Offered by Senators Theis, Victory, Bizon, Horn, Barrett, Nesbitt, Daley,  
MacDonald, Lauwers, LaSata, Bumstead, McBroom, Runestad, Zorn,  
VanderWall, Shirkey, Johnson, Outman, Schmidt and Stamas

A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MAY 17-21, 2021,  
AS MICHIGAN HOME EDUCATION WEEK

WHEREAS, The state of Michigan is committed to excellence in education; and

WHEREAS, Michigan law affirms that it is the natural, fundamental right of parents and legal guardians to determine and direct the care, teaching, and education of their children; and

WHEREAS, Research demonstrates that educational alternatives and direct family participation improve academic performance conclusively; and

WHEREAS, Families engaged in home-based education are not dependent on public, tax-funded resources for their children's education, saving Michigan taxpayers thousands of dollars annually; and

WHEREAS, Educating children at home was the predominant form of education during much of our nation's history; and

WHEREAS, Home education has a long history of success in our country, producing such notable Americans including George Washington, Benjamin Franklin, Patrick Henry, John Quincy Adams, John Marshall, Robert E. Lee, Abraham Lincoln, Thomas Edison, Helen Keller, Clara Barton, Laura Ingalls Wilder, Franklin D. Roosevelt, George Patton, Douglas MacArthur, Frank Lloyd Wright, John Philip Sousa, and Tim Tebow among many others; and

WHEREAS, Michigan's home educated students are equipped to be successful, informed, engaged, ethical, and productive citizens who enrich our society and contribute to the well-being of our state; and

WHEREAS, Michigan parents who home educate their children at their own expense dedicate their time and talents to ensure that their child's academic, physical, psychological, social, and emotional needs are met, and are, therefore, to be commended for their extraordinary sacrifice and commitment; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That members of this legislative body recognize May 17-21, 2021, as Michigan Home Education Week; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we call this observance to the attention of all our citizens; and be it further

RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Michigan Christian Homeschool Network with our highest esteem.

Adopted by the Senate, May 13, 2021.



Secretary of the Senate