HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.110

Rep. Reilly offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to declare May 17-21, 2021, as Home Education 2 Week in the state of Michigan. 3 Whereas, The state of Michigan is committed to excellence in 4 education; and Whereas, Michigan law affirms that it is the natural 5 6 fundamental right of parents and legal quardians to determine and 7 direct the care, teaching, and education of their children; and 8 Whereas, Research demonstrates conclusively that educational alternatives and direct family participation improve academic 9 performance; and 10 Whereas, Families engaged in home-based education are not 11 12 dependent on public, tax-funded resources for their children's 13 education, thus saving Michigan taxpayers thousands of dollars

- 1 annually; and
- 2 Whereas, Educating children at home was the predominant form
- 3 of education during much of our nation's history; and
- 4 Whereas, Home education has a long history of success in our
- 5 country, producing such notable Americans as George Washington,
- 6 Benjamin Franklin, Patrick Henry, John Quincy Adams, John Marshall,
- 7 Robert E. Lee, Abraham Lincoln, Thomas Edison, Helen Keller, Clara
- 8 Barton, Laura Ingalls Wilder, Franklin D. Roosevelt, George Patton,
- 9 Douglas MacArthur, Frank Lloyd Wright, John Philip Sousa, and Tim
- 10 Tebow among many others; and
- 11 Whereas, Michigan's home-educated students are being equipped
- 12 to be successful, informed, engaged, ethical, and productive
- 13 citizens who enrich our society and contribute to the well-being of
- 14 our state; and
- 15 Whereas, Michigan parents who home educate their children at
- 16 their own expense are dedicating their time and talents to ensuring
- 17 that their child's academic, physical, psychological, social, and
- 18 emotional needs are met and are therefore to be commended for their
- 19 extraordinary sacrifice and commitment; now, therefore, be it
- 20 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 21 this legislative body declare May 17-21, 2021, as Home Education
- 22 Week in the state of Michigan; and be it further
- Resolved, That we call this observance to the attention of all
- 24 our citizens; and be it further
- 25 Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the
- 26 Michigan Christian Homeschool Network organization with our highest
- 27 esteem.