

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.145

Rep. Pohutsky offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare August 2021 as Water Quality Month in
2 the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Water Quality Month calls attention to the fact that
4 water is essential to our daily lives and has many uses including
5 drinking, agriculture, recreation, and transportation which are
6 paramount to the health and well-being of Michiganders across our
7 great state; and

8 Whereas, The term "water quality" refers to the standards
9 surrounding the use, protection, anti-degradation requirements, and
10 monitoring policies for our waterways, aquifers, lakes, and
11 streams. Legislators must call attention and continuously strive
12 to implement policies which protect our water resources; and

13 Whereas, Michigan values our natural resources, especially our

1 watersheds and lakes, which support our tourism, recreation, and
2 agriculture industries. We are recognized as the Great Lakes State;
3 and

4 Whereas, Water quality is monitored under the processes
5 prescribed in the Clean Water Act and is done with local and
6 community input through transparent processes which recognize the
7 vital needs for access to clean water for all Michigan citizens;
8 and

9 Whereas, The United States Environmental Protection Agency has
10 designated August as National Water Quality Month, a designation
11 which Michigan should echo and support; now, therefore, be it

12 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
13 this legislative body declare August 2021 as Water Quality Month in
14 the state of Michigan. We support the continued efforts of
15 national, state, and local partners, and the efforts of Michigan
16 citizens to ensure that water quality remains a focus of our
17 natural resources policies; and be it further

18 Resolved, That we will continue to prioritize the health and
19 safety of all Michiganders when developing water quality standards
20 and policies in order to proactively prevent harm to our citizens,
21 our natural resources, and our tourism and agriculture industries.