

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 88

Reps. Andrews, Mentzer, Liberati, Conlin, Brixie, Wegela, Wilson, Churches, Tsernoglou, Rheingans, Skaggs, Haadsma, Scott, O'Neal, Neeley, Farhat, Rogers, Price, Steckloff, Coffia, Hill, Hoskins, McKinney, Brabec, McFall, Aiyash, Breen, Tyrone Carter, Glanville, Hope, Morse, Snyder, Weiss and Young offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare May 1, 2023, as International Workers
2 Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, May 1 is globally recognized as International
4 Workers' Day and is publicly celebrated in over 80 countries; and

5 Whereas, This international day of labor celebrates the
6 contribution of workers, promotes workers' rights, and commemorates
7 the historic struggles and gains made by workers and the labor

1 movement; and

2 Whereas, May 1 commemorates the events of the Haymarket Affair
3 and the associated general strike, which led to the establishment
4 of an important day of remembrance and a long-lasting call to
5 action; and

6 Whereas, International Workers' Day is the declaration of the
7 labor movement's demands to improve the working conditions of
8 workers, such as better pay, shorter working days, and safer
9 working conditions; and

10 Whereas, We celebrate International Workers' Day as a yearly
11 expression of these demands; and

12 Whereas, We honor the bitter struggles of the working class
13 and the many sufferings of the past; and

14 Whereas, The United Auto Workers was formed in Detroit in 1935
15 during the Flint Sit-Down Strike, putting Michigan at the forefront
16 of modern labor movement as America struggled with the distress of
17 the Great Depression; and

18 Whereas, Michigan continues its legacy as a leader in the
19 national labor movement and its efforts bring economic justice and
20 social justice to our state and nation; and

21 Whereas, Recognition of the integrity of Michigan's workforce
22 and its achievements on the behalf of the economic growth of our
23 state; and

24 Whereas, The Michigan House of Representatives wishes to
25 respect and highlight the contributions of Michigan's workforce to
26 the State and all of society; and

27 Whereas, The Michigan House of Representatives renews our
28 efforts to improve working conditions, including workplace safety
29 and health protections, better standards and enforcement, and fair

1 and just compensation; now, therefore, be it

2 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of

3 this legislative body declare May 1, 2023, as International

4 Workers' Day in the state of Michigan.