HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 106

Reps. McKinney, Byrnes, Glanville and Haadsma offered the following resolution:

- 1 A resolution to declare May 2023 as Tennis Month in the state 2 of Michigan.
- 3 Whereas, On May 21, 1881, the United States Tennis
- 4 Association, originally known as the United States National Lawn
- 5 Tennis Association, was founded in New York City, New York, to
- 6 create rules and standards for the emerging game of lawn tennis;
- 7 and
- 8 Whereas, The United States Tennis Association is the
- 9 nonprofit, national governing body for tennis in the United States,
- 10 and leads the promotion and growth of the sport at every level of
- 11 play, from beginners to professionals at the US Open; and
- 12 Whereas, The United States Tennis Association is the largest

- 1 tennis organization in the world, with over 550,000 members from
- 2 every corner of the country; and
- 3 Whereas, The United States Tennis Association proudly partners
- 4 with local tennis programs to showcase the important health,
- 5 social, and educational benefits of tennis, and make the sport
- 6 available to everyone, regardless of age, environment, condition,
- 7 or ability, through its United States Tennis Association Adaptive
- 8 grants; and
- 9 Whereas, The latest research by the Physical Activity Council
- 10 (PAC) shows that more than 23.6 million Americans played tennis in
- 11 2022, an unprecedented 33 percent increase in participation over
- 12 2019 and the highest number of players since the PAC study began in
- **13** 2007; and
- 14 Whereas, By increasing the accessibility of tennis for
- 15 Michigan of all ages and ability, the United States Tennis
- 16 Association has contributed to making Michigan communities happier
- 17 and healthier; and
- 18 Whereas, The United States Tennis Association has declared the
- 19 month of May as National Tennis Month to encourage players,
- 20 organizations, facilities, retailers, tennis manufacturers, and
- 21 more to promote local programs and activities at parks and
- 22 facilities to showcase tennis and spread the word about the sport
- 23 and its benefits, and to help players and non-players alike find
- 24 courts and play opportunities in their communities; now, therefore,
- **25** be it
- 26 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 27 this legislative body declare May 2023 as Tennis Month in the state
- 28 of Michigan. We extend to all those affiliated with the
- 29 organization sincere best wishes for the future.