

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 235

Reps. Steckloff, Breen, Fitzgerald, Glanville, Haadsma, Hill, Koleszar, Liberati, MacDonell, Rheingans, Rogers, Schuette and Weiss offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare April 2024 as Community College Month
2 in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, The House of Representatives is pleased to honor
4 Michigan's 31 community and tribal Colleges in recognition of April
5 of 2024 as Michigan Community College Month; and

6 Whereas, Community College Month is an appropriate time to
7 acknowledge community colleges and the important contributions they
8 make to the richness and accessibility of post-secondary education;
9 and

10 Whereas, The leaders and staff of Michigan's community

1 colleges are fully devoted to the praiseworthy mission of providing
2 relevant academic and technical coursework leading to industry-
3 recognized credentials; and

4 Whereas, Michigan's outstanding community colleges enroll
5 280,000 students and grant 19,900 degrees and 7,000 certificates
6 each year. Fifty-two percent of students who earn bachelor's
7 degrees in Michigan have completed courses at a community college;
8 and

9 Whereas, Investing in community colleges helps meet the very
10 real and immediate challenges of economic development, student
11 achievement, and competitiveness; and

12 Whereas, Students of all ages and backgrounds who attend these
13 exceptional schools receive a superb education and earn degrees,
14 certificates, and training that help them become skilled members of
15 a workforce that propels economic growth and encourages learning
16 and culture; and

17 Whereas, The strength and success of Michigan's community
18 colleges, the vitality of its communities, and the effectiveness of
19 our American society depend, in great measure, upon excellent
20 organizations, exemplified by Michigan's community colleges; and

21 Whereas, It is altogether proper and fitting for this
22 legislative body to pause in its deliberations and recognize
23 Michigan's community colleges, and to affirm their importance to
24 the citizens of this State; now, therefore, be it

25 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That members of this
26 legislative body declare April 2024 as Community College Month in
27 the state of Michigan. We urge the continued awareness of community
28 college job training for the students of Michigan to ensure the
29 sustainability of Michigan's workforce for the years to come; and

1 be it further

2 Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the

3 Governor of Michigan and each Michigan community college.