MICHIGAN SENATE

Senate Resolution No. 21

Offered by Senators McCann, Daley, Cavanagh, McMorrow, Lauwers, Bayer, Wojno, Huizenga, McBroom, Shink, McDonald Rivet, Damoose, Moss, Chang and Klinefelt

> A RESOLUTION TO RECOGNIZE MARCH 17, 2023, AS SAINT PATRICK'S DAY

WHEREAS, On March 17th, Irish Americans join with men, women, and children of all different ethnicities who, for one day, become Irish and celebrate the Feast of Saint Patrick, the Patron Saint of Ireland; and

WHEREAS, On Saint Patrick's Day, all who wear green live in the spirit of Saints Patrick, Brigid, and Colmcille; and

WHEREAS, Irish immigrants helped form the United States' cultural foundation. Today, those of Irish lineage proudly sing support for Ireland; and

WHEREAS, The songs of Ireland are the tragic songs of love, the joyous songs of battle, the nostalgic reveries of the sorrows, the glories of the Emerald Isle, the lamentations of life's myriad travails, and the odes to joy and life eternal; and

WHEREAS, We celebrate the establishment of the American Irish State Legislators Caucus with its aim of fostering the longstanding and equally beneficial relationship between the United States and Ireland; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the members of this legislative body recognize March 17, 2023, as Saint Patrick's Day; and be it further

RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to Senator Mark Daly, Chair of the Senate of Ireland, which celebrated its 100th anniversary last year, and the national co-chairs of the American Irish State Legislators Caucus: Assemblywoman Carol Murphy of New Jersey, Assemblyman Robin Vos of Wisconsin, Assemblyman James Gallagher of California, Representative Brian Patrick Kennedy of Rhode Island, Representative Fran Hurley of Illinois, Representative Killian Timoney of Kentucky, and Senator Shannon O'Brien of Montana.

Adopted by the Senate, March 16, 2023.