HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.206

Rep. Skaggs offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to declare March 11-15, 2024, as Civic Learning 2 Week in the state of Michigan. 3 Whereas, Healthy and vibrant civic life requires informed and 4 engaged communities; and 5 Whereas, Civic education is the foundation for 6 interdisciplinary learning and societal interaction. Civic 7 education provides the groundwork to develop skills for dialogue, 8 understand institutions and democratic processes, collaborate, and cooperate through difference to resolve issues, honor diverse 9 perspectives, and enhance the civic strength of our communities; 10 11 and 12 Whereas, Meaningful curriculum and pedagogies provide the

- 1 opportunities for students, teachers, and communities to practice
- 2 the skills and dispositions required of our democracy. Students,
- 3 educators, organizations, and industry rely on civic education to
- 4 advance shared democratic values. Students who are informed and
- 5 engaged possess greater civic agency and self-efficacy to
- 6 positively impact self and others; and
- 7 Whereas, Civic education is vital to sustaining and
- 8 strengthening constitutional democracy in the United States of
- 9 America. The practice of democracy must be taught and learned anew
- 10 by each generation; and
- 11 Whereas, Michigan serves to advance excellence in civic
- 12 education professional learning, programming, and curriculum and
- 13 works to advance college, career, and civic ready students; and
- 14 Whereas, Civic Learning Week seeks to unite our communities
- 15 and highlight the importance of civic knowledge, skills, and
- 16 dispositions that provide the foundation for an informed and
- 17 engaged communities; now, therefore, be it
- 18 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 19 this legislative body declare March 11-15, 2024, as Civic Learning
- 20 Week in the state of Michigan.