HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 42

Reps. MacDonell, Glanville, Paiz, Rogers, Snyder, Witwer and Wooden offered the following resolution:

- 1 A resolution to declare March 2025 as Disability Awareness
- 2 Month in the state of Michigan.
- 3 Whereas, Disability Awareness Month serves as a time to
- 4 recognize and promote the rights, contributions, and achievements
- 5 of individuals with disabilities in Michigan; and
- 6 Whereas, According to the U.S. Census Bureau, millions of
- 7 Americans, including a significant number of Michigan residents,
- 8 live with disabilities that impact their daily lives, requiring
- 9 increased awareness, accessibility, and advocacy; and
- 10 Whereas, The state of Michigan is committed to fostering an
- 11 inclusive society that provides equal opportunities for individuals
- 12 with disabilities in employment, education, healthcare, and
- 13 community participation; and

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Whereas, Michigan recognizes the importance of the Americans 1 with Disabilities Act (ADA) a in advancing accessibility, 2 independence, and full participation for people with disabilities; 3 and 4 5 Whereas, Disability Awareness Month is an opportunity to 6 educate the public on the barriers faced by individuals with; and 7 Whereas, This month also serves as a time to celebrate the 8 invaluable contributions of individuals with disabilities to 9 Michigan's workforce, culture, and communities; and 10 Whereas, Michigan acknowledges the organizations, advocates, 11 and caregivers who work tirelessly to support and empower individuals with disabilities, ensuring that their voices are heard 12 and their rights are upheld; now, therefore, be it 13 Resolved, That the members of the Michigan House of 14 15 Representatives declare March 2025 as Disability Awareness Month in the state of Michigan; and be it further 16 Resolved, That we encourage all citizens, businesses, and 17 institutions to be more accessible for individuals with 18 19 disabilities, ensuring that Michigan continues to be a leader in

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disability rights and advocacy.