

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 68

Reps. Foreman, Alexander, Fitzgerald, Rheingans, Witwer and Xiong offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to declare April 22, 2025, as Earth Day in the  
2       state of Michigan.

3       Whereas, Earth Day is celebrated annually on April 22nd and  
4       serves as a global call to action to promote environmental  
5       stewardship, conservation, and sustainability; and

6       Whereas, The first Earth Day in 1970 united millions of  
7       Americans across the country in the effort to raise awareness of  
8       environmental issues; and

9       Whereas, The state of Michigan is home to a rich and diverse  
10      natural heritage, including the Great Lakes – the largest system of  
11      fresh surface water in the world – as well as vast forests, rivers,  
12      wetlands, agricultural lands, and wildlife habitats that provide  
13      essential resources, recreation, and economic benefits for all

1 Michiganders; and

2       Whereas, Michigan's residents, businesses, schools, and local  
3 governments have demonstrated leadership in promoting recycling,  
4 protecting water quality, and supporting conservation practices to  
5 ensure that Michigan's natural resources are preserved for current  
6 and future generations; and

7       Whereas, Earth Day 2025 provides an opportunity to recommit to  
8 the protection and preservation of Michigan's environment,  
9 recognizing that the health of our communities, economy, and future  
10 depends on clean air, safe drinking water, resilient ecosystems,  
11 and sustainable development; and

12       Whereas, The Michigan House of Representatives encourages all  
13 Michiganders to engage in Earth Day activities such as tree  
14 planting, waterway cleanups, waste reduction, energy conservation,  
15 and participation in community sustainability initiatives; now,  
16 therefore, be it

17       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
18 this legislative body declare April 22, 2025, as Earth Day in the  
19 state of Michigan. We encourage all residents to reflect on the  
20 importance of environmental stewardship to protect Michigan's  
21 natural resources and build a more sustainable future for all.