HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 82

Reps. VanderWall, Fitzgerald, Glanville, Outman, Paiz and Rogers offered the following resolution:

- 1 A resolution to declare May 5-9, 2025, as Tardive Dyskinesia
- 2 Awareness Week in the state of Michigan.
- 3 Whereas, Serious mental illnesses like bipolar disorder, major
- 4 depressive disorder, and schizophrenia often require treatment with
- 5 antipsychotic medications for effective management, and
- 6 antipsychotic prescribing rates continue to rise; and
- 7 Whereas, While prolonged antipsychotic use may be essential
- 8 for the treatment of certain conditions, it is associated with
- 9 tardive dyskinesia (TD), a condition marked by uncontrollable,
- 10 abnormal, and repetitive movements of the face, torso, limbs, or
- 11 extremities; and
- 12 Whereas, People at higher risk of TD include those older than
- 13 55 years, Black individuals, women, individuals with mood or

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- 1 substance use disorders, intellectual disabilities, or central
- 2 nervous system injuries, and those with high cumulative
- 3 antipsychotic exposure; and
- Whereas, Approximately 60% of the estimated 800,000 U.S.
- 5 adults living with TD remain undiagnosed; and even mild TD symptoms
- 6 can be stigmatizing and impair physical, social, and emotional
- 7 well-being, underscoring the urgency of early screening, detection,
- 8 and intervention; and
- 9 Whereas, The American Psychiatric Association recommends
- 10 routine TD screening in their clinical guidelines for antipsychotic
- 11 treatment and individuals treated with antipsychotics or
- 12 experiencing abnormal movements should consult their healthcare
- 13 providers to assess TD risk, receive TD screenings, and determine
- 14 appropriate treatment together; and
- Whereas, FDA-approved treatments for TD can provide options
- 16 for symptom management and improved quality of life for many
- 17 individuals living with TD; and
- 18 Whereas, TD screening education and awareness is encouraged
- 19 for health care providers, patients, and care partners to help
- 20 ensure patients prescribed antipsychotics receive care and support
- 21 that aligns with clinical best practice, including regular TD
- 22 screenings; now, therefore, be it
- 23 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 24 this legislative body declare May 5-9, 2025, as Tardive Dyskinesia
- 25 Awareness Week in the state of Michigan. We recognize this occasion
- 26 to underscore the importance of early detection and intervention to
- 27 improve outcomes for people living with mental health conditions
- 28 and prescribed antipsychotics, and support efforts to raise
- 29 awareness about the causes and symptoms of TD and the importance of

1 routine TD screening.