

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 92

Reps. Young, McKinney, Foreman, Koleszar, Wooden, Hope, Rogers, Weiss, Puri, Breen, Tsernoglou, Wegela, Martus, Neeley, Dievendorf, Fox, MacDonell, Morgan, Paiz, Rheingans and Witwer offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare May 2025 as Asthma and Allergy
2 Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, According to the Centers for Disease Control and
4 Prevention (CDC), an estimated 4.6 million children in the United
5 States have asthma; and

6 Whereas, More than twenty-five million people in the United
7 States have asthma and the numbers are increasing each year; and

8 Whereas, Almost 1 million adults and children in Michigan have
9 asthma; and

10 Whereas, Asthma is one of the most common noncommunicable
11 diseases among children; and

1 Whereas, Close to one million individuals per year visit
2 emergency departments because of asthma's effects; and

3 Whereas, Asthma is a leading cause of hospitalizations and
4 school absences due to a chronic disease among children; and

5 Whereas, The total economic cost of asthma in the United
6 States was \$81 billion per year from 2008 to 2013. The direct cost
7 of asthma is about \$3,266 per person each year; and

8 Whereas, Black, Hispanic, and Indigenous individuals in the
9 United States face the highest burden of asthma; and

10 Whereas, Asthma is a manageable disease that claimed the lives
11 of more than 3,500 Americans in 2021, including ninety-four people
12 in Michigan; and

13 Whereas, More than thirty-three million people in the United
14 States have food allergies, including about 4,300,000 children; and

15 Whereas, Food allergy has increased among U.S. children over
16 the past 20 years, with the greatest increase in black children;
17 and

18 Whereas, Children with food allergies are two to four times
19 more likely to have asthma or other allergic diseases; and

20 Whereas, May is an appropriate month to designate as "Asthma
21 and Allergy Awareness Month; now, therefore, be it

22 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
23 this legislative body declare May 2025 as Asthma and Allergy
24 Awareness Month in the state of Michigan. We recognize residents
25 who live with asthma and allergies and to be compassionate of those
26 living with these conditions.