## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 98

Reps. Breen, McFall, Tsernoglou, Meerman, Kunse, Price, McKinney, Longjohn, Dievendorf, Arbit, Steckloff, Koleszar, Wegela, Xiong, Foreman, Rheingans, T. Carter, Thompson, Linting, Weiss, Glanville, Posthumus, Borton, Martin, Green, Alexander, Fitzgerald, Hope, MacDonell, Paiz, Rogers and Witwer offered the following resolution:

- 1 A resolution to declare May 2025 as Mental Health Awareness
- 2 Month in the state of Michigan.
- 3 Whereas, The month of May is observed every year as Mental
- 4 Health Awareness Month across the United States to educate
- 5 communities about mental illnesses and reduce the stigma that
- 6 surrounds them; and
- 7 Whereas, Mental health is essential to everyone's overall
- 8 health and well-being; and
- 9 Whereas, All Americans face challenges in life that can impact

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accessible services for all.

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their mental health; and 1 2 Whereas, The National Alliance on Mental Illness reports that over 1.3 million Michiganders have a mental health condition; and 3 Whereas, Prevention is an effective way to reduce the burden 4 of mental health conditions; and 5 6 Whereas, There are practical tools that all people can use to 7 improve their mental health and increase resiliency; and 8 Whereas, With effective treatment, those individuals with mental health conditions can recover and lead full, productive 9 10 lives; and 11 Whereas, By ignoring the illnesses of our fellow citizens, it will only further stigmatize those who suffer from a mental, 12 behavioral, or emotional disorder; and 13 Whereas, Each business, school, health care provider, 14 15 organization, and citizen share the burden of mental health problems and has a responsibility to promote mental wellness and 16 support prevention and treatment efforts; now, therefore, be it 17 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of 18 19 this legislative body declare May 2025 as Mental Health Awareness 20 Month in the state of Michigan; and be it further Resolved, That we call upon all citizens, public and private 21 institutions, businesses, and schools to commit to increasing the 22 23 awareness and understanding of mental health, the steps we can take to protect mental health, and the need for appropriate and 24