SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 5

Senator Camilleri, Chang, Moss and Santana offered the following resolution:

- 1 A resolution to recognize January 2025 as Muslim American
- 2 Heritage Month.
- 3 Whereas, Michigan is home to a diverse population of
- 4 Michiganders who contribute to its cultural, economic, and social
- 5 vibrancy, including its Muslim American residents; and
- 6 Whereas, Muslim Americans have been an integral part of the
- 7 United States' history and development since its founding, with
- 8 contributions to fields such as science, technology, engineering,
- 9 and math (STEM), medicine, law, arts, education, business, and
- 10 public service; and
- 11 Whereas, With approximately 273,734 Muslims living in Michigan
- 12 alone, our state is home to one of the largest and most vibrant
- 13 Muslim American communities in the United States with deep roots in

cities such as Dearborn, Hamtramck, Detroit, and beyond; and 1 2 Whereas, Muslim Americans play a vital role in Michigan's growth and prosperity, from automotive innovation to 3 entrepreneurship, and their contributions continue to enrich our 4 5 state in countless ways; and 6 Whereas, Muslim American communities in Michigan reflect a 7 rich tapestry of cultural heritage, including people of Arab, Asian 8 American and Pacific Islander, African, and other ancestries, 9 making Muslims the most ethnically diverse faith community; and 10 Whereas, Michigan's Muslim Americans are leaders in promoting 11 interfaith understanding, civic engagement, and community service, contributing to a more inclusive and equitable society; and 12 13 Whereas, The designation of January as Muslim American 14 Heritage Month provides an opportunity to honor the achievements, 15 resilience, and contributions of Muslim Americans while fostering 16 greater understanding and appreciation for the cultural diversity 17 that strengthens Michigan; now, therefore, be it 18 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize January 2025 as Muslim American Heritage Month. We 19 20 encourage all citizens to learn and celebrate the rich heritage, history, achievements, and contributions of Muslim Americans to 21 Michigan and our nation. 22