HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 58

Rep. Fitzgerald offered the following resolution: A resolution to declare April 2025 as Autism Awareness Month 1 in the state of Michigan. 2 3 Whereas, Autism, also known as Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD), is a neurodevelopmental disorder that affects more than sixty 4 million people worldwide and is characterized by difficulties in 5 social interaction, communication, and repetitive behaviors; and 6 7 Whereas, Autism affects individuals in unique ways and can range from mild to severe, requiring various levels of support and 8 9 services: and 10 Whereas, Autism Awareness Month is observed throughout April each year as a time to raise awareness and understanding about 11 12 autism and to celebrate the unique strengths individuals on the 13 autism spectrum; now, therefore, be it 14 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of

- 1 this legislative body declare April 2025 as Autism Awareness Month
- 2 in the state of Michigan. We acknowledge and support Autism
- 3 Awareness Month, and affirm our commitment to promoting
- 4 understanding, acceptance, and inclusion of individuals on the
- 5 autism spectrum in all aspects of community life; and be it further
- 6 Resolved, That we acknowledge and celebrate the contributions
- 7 of individuals on the autism spectrum to our society, and support
- 8 efforts to provide them with equal opportunities; and be it further
- 9 Resolved, That we call upon all members of our community to
- 10 work together to create a more inclusive and supportive environment
- 11 for individuals on the autism spectrum and to raise awareness about
- 12 the importance of early intervention and access to services; and be
- 13 it further
- 14 Resolved, That this resolution increases public awareness and
- 15 acceptance of autism and the unique needs and strengths of
- 16 individuals on the autism spectrum.