

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 82

Rep. VanderWall 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  
14 substance use disorders, intellectual disabilities, or central

nervous system injuries, and those with high cumulative antipsychotic exposure; and

Whereas, Approximately 60% of the estimated 800,000 U.S. adults living with TD remain undiagnosed; and even mild TD symptoms can be stigmatizing and impair physical, social, and emotional well-being, underscoring the urgency of early screening, detection, and intervention; and

Whereas, The American Psychiatric Association recommends routine TD screening in their clinical guidelines for antipsychotic treatment and individuals treated with antipsychotics or experiencing abnormal movements should consult their healthcare providers to assess TD risk, receive TD screenings, and determine appropriate treatment together; and

Whereas, FDA-approved treatments for TD can provide options for symptom management and improved quality of life for many individuals living with TD; and

Whereas, TD screening education and awareness is encouraged for health care providers, patients, and care partners to help ensure patients prescribed antipsychotics receive care and support that aligns with clinical best practice, including regular TD screenings; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare May 5-9, 2025, as Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness Week in the state of Michigan. We recognize this occasion to underscore the importance of early detection and intervention to improve outcomes for people living with mental health conditions and prescribed antipsychotics, and support efforts to raise awareness about the causes and symptoms of TD and the importance of routine TD screening.