

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 119

Reps. McFall, Price, Young, Coffia, Arbit, Morgan, Wegela, Snyder, Liberati, Miller, Bierlein, Green, Edwards, Steckloff, Dievendorf, Slagh, Farhat, Rogers, B. Carter, Pohutsky, Hoskins, Myers-Phillips, Rheingans, Breen, MacDonell and Longjohn offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare June 3, 2025, as Brain Cancer
2 Awareness Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Brain tumors, particularly glioblastoma, are
4 recognized as among the deadliest forms of cancer, with a five-year
5 relative survival rate of only 6.9 percent; and

6 Whereas, In 2025, it is estimated that approximately 780
7 Michigan residents will be diagnosed with a brain tumor and an
8 estimated 610 residents will succumb to this disease; and

9 Whereas, Brain cancer remains the leading cause of cancer-
10 related deaths among children ages 0-14 and young adults ages 15-

1 39; and

2 Whereas, Brain tumors impose the highest per-patient initial
3 cost of care among all cancers, with an annualized mean net cost
4 approaching \$162,550 in 2019 U.S. dollars; and

5 Whereas, More than any other cancer, brain tumors can cause
6 profound and lasting physical, cognitive, and psychological impacts
7 that affect the quality of life of patients and survivors; and

8 Whereas, Michigan has gained national recognition as a center
9 of excellence in brain tumor treatment and research, with
10 institutions such as the Hermelin Brain Tumor Center at Henry Ford
11 Health and the Children's Hospital of Michigan leading clinical
12 trials, attracting grant funding, and drawing patients from across
13 the country; and

14 Whereas, Despite the significant number of diagnoses and the
15 often-devastating prognosis, only five drugs and one medical device
16 have been approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for
17 brain tumor treatment over the past 30 years, with none proven
18 curative and only modest extensions in survival; and

19 Whereas, Mortality rates for brain tumors, including
20 glioblastoma, have remained largely unchanged over the past three
21 decades, underscoring the urgent need for greater public awareness,
22 research, and treatment innovation; now, therefore, be it

23 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
24 this legislative body declare June 3, 2025, as Brain Cancer
25 Awareness Day in the state of Michigan. We honor patients and
26 families affected by this disease, recognize Michigan's leadership
27 in brain tumor research and treatment, and encourage continued
28 advocacy and vigilance in healthcare.