HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 129

Rep. Andrews offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to declare June 9-15, 2025, as Dad Week in the 2 state of Michigan. 3 Whereas, Fathers play a vital and irreplaceable role in the development and wellbeing of children, families, and communities 4 across Michigan, contributing to stability, support, and success in 5 6 every aspect of life; and Whereas, Studies show that children with actively engaged 7 fathers are more likely to thrive academically, socially, and 8 9 emotionally, and are less likely to face challenges such as 10 poverty, incarceration, and poor health outcomes; and Whereas, The Present Pillars Foundation, headquartered in 11 12 Benton Harbor and serving communities across southwest Michigan, 13 has become a leading advocate for responsible fatherhood, men's 14 wellness, and the strengthening of families through innovative

programs, mentorship, and public outreach; and 1 2 Whereas, Founded by fathers and led by residents committed to breaking cycles and building up men and families, Present Pillars 3 launched Dad Week to elevate the role of fathers and father figures 4 through a weeklong celebration of education, wellness, and 5 6 community engagement; and 7 Whereas, Dad Week includes events such as service projects, 8 fatherhood workshops, legal and employment resources, and community 9 celebrations that honor the contributions of local dads; and 10 Whereas, By declaring June 9-15 as Dad Week in the state of 11 Michigan, we recognize the essential role fathers play, and 12 encourage communities statewide to support and uplift the men who 13 show up every day for their families; now, therefore, be it 14 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of 15 this legislative body declare June 9-15, 2025, as Dad Week in the 16 state of Michigan. We commend fathers everywhere for their 17 dedication to empowering and strengthening families in the state of 18 Michigan and beyond.

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