

Reps. Lisa Brown, Nathan, Slavens, Liss, Barnett, Segal, Leland, Tlaib, Switalski, Kennedy, Haase, Haugh, Geiss, Womack, Roberts, Nerat, Sheltroun, Lipton, Terry Brown, Smith, Clemente, Angerer, Johnson, Jackson, Donigan, Durhal, Ball, Bauer, Booher, Constan, Dean, DeShazor, Gonzales, Green, Haveman, Huckleberry, Rick Jones, Robert Jones, Kandrevas, Knollenberg, Lahti, Lemmons, Lori, Mayes, Melton, Miller, Neumann, Polidori, Proos, Rocca, Scripps, Spade, Stanley, Valentine, Warren and Marleau offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 182.

A resolution declaring November 2009 as Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, November 2009 is National Alzheimer's Disease Awareness Month; and

Whereas, Alzheimer's is a disease of the brain that destroys brain cells. It causes problems with memory, thinking and behavior. It is the most common form of dementia; and

Whereas, It is estimated that there are as many as 5.3 million people living with Alzheimer's disease in the United States; and

Whereas, By 2010, there will be nearly a half million new cases of Alzheimer's each year. By 2050, there will be nearly a million new cases annually; and

Whereas, There are over 170,000 people in Michigan with Alzheimer's disease or a related dementia, and this number will grow dramatically with this decade if no cure is found; and

Whereas, The Alzheimer's Association is an organization dedicated to building a world without Alzheimer's. Its mission is to eliminate Alzheimer's disease through the advancement of research; to provide and enhance care and support for all affected; and to reduce the risk of dementia through the promotion of brain health; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body recognize the month of November 2009 as Alzheimer's Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.