Reps. Brown, Barnett, Byrum, Constan, Cotter, Darany, Durhal, Geiss, Goike, Heise, Hooker, Knollenberg, LeBlanc, Lindberg, Liss, Lori, Poleski, Segal, Slavens and Tyler offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 198.

A resolution to declare March 2012 as Reading Month in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The members of the Michigan House of Representatives are dedicated to providing a quality education to all the children in Michigan; and

Whereas, The citizens of Michigan recognize reading is fundamental to children's education; and

Whereas, Research shows that children who read regularly, especially with adults, have greater success in schools; and

Whereas, Reading is essential to everyday life, both inside and outside of the classroom. Reading opens doors and allows children to explore the entire world and beyond. Reading is also a cornerstone to building productive, contributing citizens; and

Whereas, We recognize and promote the importance of community and parental involvement in every child's success in school; and

Whereas, We are committed to making Michigan's children, and America's children, the best readers in the world; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare March 2012 as Reading Month in the state of Michigan.