

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 89

Reps. Rendon, Brenda Carter, Wendzel, Wozniak, Whiteford, Farrington, Alexander, Tisdell, Borton, Markkanen, Schroeder, Hood, Stone, Kuppa, Aiyash, Wakeman, Jones and Yancey offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare April 28, 2021, as Suits and Sneakers
2 Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, The Coaches vs. Cancer program is a nationwide
4 collaboration between the American Cancer Society and the National
5 Association of Basketball Coaches, leveraging the personal
6 experiences, community leadership, and professional excellence of
7 coaches nationwide to increase cancer awareness and promote healthy
8 living through year-round awareness efforts, fundraising
9 activities, and advocacy programs; and

10 Whereas, The American Cancer Society saves lives and creates a

1 world with more birthdays by helping people stay well, helping
2 people get well, finding cures, and fighting back in partnership
3 with its nonpartisan advocacy affiliate, the American Cancer
4 Society Cancer Action Network; and

5 Whereas, More than 62,150 Michiganders will be newly-diagnosed
6 with cancer in 2021; and

7 Whereas, Cancer patients face countless challenges associated
8 with their diagnoses, including physical, emotional, financial, and
9 day-to-day challenges; and

10 Whereas, Since 1993, coaches and their supporters have raised
11 more than \$135 million for the American Cancer Society to help make
12 the American Cancer Society's services and programs available to
13 those who need them the most; and

14 Whereas, During January 25-31, 2021, the Coaches vs. Cancer
15 Suits and Sneakers Awareness nationwide effort united coaches
16 across the country to wear sneakers with their game attire while
17 coaching games. It also encouraged lawmakers and others to
18 similarly wear suits and sneakers to raise awareness about the
19 fight against cancer, share the importance of nutrition and
20 physical activity in reducing one's cancer risk, and promote the
21 American Cancer Society as a resource for help and support; and

22 Whereas, The Coaches vs. Cancer Suits And Sneakers effort saw
23 Michigan coaches join together with their fellow coaches
24 nationwide, as well as thousands of volunteers for the American
25 Cancer Society and the American Cancer Society Cancer Action
26 Network, to advocate on behalf of cancer patients, survivors, and
27 caregivers so that one day cancer will be eliminated as a major
28 public health issue; now, therefore, be it

29 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of

1 this legislative body declare April 28, 2021, as Suits and Sneakers
2 Day in the state of Michigan; and be it further

3 Resolved, That we urge all Michiganders to use this day as an
4 opportunity to educate themselves about cancer and take proactive
5 steps to reduce cancer risk factors and get appropriate cancer
6 screenings.