

Senators Barcia, Basham, Gleason, Clark-Coleman, Whitmer, Scott, Sanborn and Kuipers offered the following resolution:

**Senate Resolution No. 48.**

A resolution to recognize May 3-9, 2009, as National County Government Week in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The nation's 3,068 and Michigan's 83 counties provide a variety of essential public services to communities and citizens; and

Whereas, All counties in Michigan take seriously their responsibilities to protect and enhance the health, welfare, and safety of its residents in sensible and cost-effective ways; and

Whereas, Many county government initiatives and programs involve the protection of valuable and vulnerable environmental resources in communities; and

Whereas, The National Association of Counties (NAC) is the only national organization that represents county governments in the United States; and

Whereas, The Michigan Association of Counties (MAC) is the voice of counties in Michigan; and

Whereas, NAC created National County Government Week in 1991 to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of the nation's counties to meet the needs of the communities; and

Whereas, NAC and MAC are working together to better serve and ensure counties remain essential and effective units of government; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize May 3-9, 2009, as National County Government Week in the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the National Association of Counties and the Michigan Association of Counties with our highest esteem.