

Reps. Brown, Barnett, Bauer, Darany, Liss, Poleski and Slavens offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 174.

A resolution to declare January 4, 2012, as Braille Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, January 4, 2012, has been designated as Braille Day; and

Whereas, Braille Day provides opportunities to focus on the existing concerns and policies affecting people living with vision loss; and

Whereas, There are more than 25 million people in the world living with blindness or partial loss of vision; and

Whereas, In 2010, there were more than 213,00 people living with vision loss in the state of Michigan; and

Whereas, The development of Braille is now recognized as the single occurrence that made it possible for people who are blind or partially sighted to get an education; and

Whereas, Braille is still essential for people who are blind or partially sighted to read and write through touch; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare January 4, 2012, as Braille Day in the state of Michigan.