Reps. Schor, Brown, Crawford, Darany, Denby, Durhal, Faris, Heise, Howrylak, Lori, MacMaster, Poleski, Price, Roberts and Slavens offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 145.

A resolution to declare May 19-25, 2013, as Emergency Medical Services Week in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Emergency medical services (EMS) provide a vital public service; and

Whereas, Access to quality emergency care dramatically improves the survival and recovery rate of those who experience sudden illness or injury; and

Whereas, First responders, emergency medical technicians, and paramedics stand ready to provide compassionate, lifesaving care to those in need 24 hours a day, seven days a week; and

Whereas, Emergency medical responders are supported by emergency medical dispatchers, firefighters, law enforcement officers, educators, administrators, researchers, emergency nurses, emergency physicians, and others; and

Whereas, The members of EMS teams, both career and volunteer, engage in thousands of hours of specialized training and continuing education to enhance their lifesaving skills; and

Whereas, It is appropriate to recognize the value and the accomplishments of EMS practitioners by designating Emergency Medical Services Week; and

Whereas, With the theme "EMS: One mission, One team", we encourage the community to observe this week with appropriate programs, ceremonies, and activities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare May 19-25, 2013, as Emergency Medical Services Week in the state of Michigan.