Rep. Brinks offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 382.

A resolution to declare September 2018 as Pulmonary Fibrosis Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Pulmonary fibrosis is a debilitating and ultimately fatal condition that causes progressive scarring in the lungs with no known cure available; and

Whereas, The average survival rate is 3 to 5 years after diagnosis and there is approximately 1 death every 13 minutes attributed to pulmonary fibrosis; and

Whereas, Many cases of pulmonary fibrosis are misdiagnosed or underdiagnosed. The symptoms of pulmonary fibrosis vary from person to person and include shortness of breath, a dry cough, fatigue, weight loss, and aching muscles and joints; and

Whereas, Volunteers, researchers, caregivers, and medical professionals are working to improve the quality of life for individuals with pulmonary fibrosis and the families of those individuals. Developing more effective treatments for pulmonary fibrosis and providing access to quality care to individuals with pulmonary fibrosis requires increased research, education, and community support services; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare September 2018 as Pulmonary Fibrosis Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.