Senator Hildenbrand offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 177.

A resolution to recognize October 7-13, 2018, as case management week.

Whereas, Case managers serve as trusted frontline providers of healthcare for patients in our state; and

Whereas, Case management is a multidisciplinary profession comprised of registered nurses, licensed practical nurses, licensed respiratory therapists, community health workers, licensed social workers and medical care coordinators; and

Whereas, During the week of October 7-13, 2018, the nation will celebrate and recognize case managers including Michigan's more than 4,100 case workers who seek to assure the delivery of quality, appropriate, efficient, and cost-effective healthcare services to patients throughout the state; and

Whereas, These managers function in a variety of practice settings including hospitals, home healthcare, long-term care, rehabilitation, eldercare, managed care, and occupational health to facilitate the coordination of care services; and

Whereas, Case management is the sole medical management strategy that fosters the careful shepherding of healthcare dollars, while maintaining a primary and consistent focus on patient advocacy; and

Whereas, Such services enhance not only the quality of life for patients, but also promote the achievement of positive healthcare outcomes; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize October 7-13, 2018, as case management week; and be it further

Resolved, That Michigan joins the Priority Health case management team to raise awareness of case management as an integral component of healthcare delivery in our state.