

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 119

Senators Irwin, Geiss, Bayer, Brinks, Chang, McMorrow, Moss and Wojno offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to recognize the Home Front Victory Celebration-
2 Michigan, in remembrance of the 75th anniversary of the end of
3 World War II.

4 Whereas, The Home Front Victory Celebration-Michigan takes
5 place May 15-17, 2020, to signify the 75th anniversary of the end
6 of World War II; and

7 Whereas, This celebration highlights both the contributions
8 and sacrifices made by Michigan citizens, private industries, and
9 business organizations involved in our nation's war efforts; and

10 Whereas, World War II was a global conflict fought from 1939-
11 1945 that reached peak participation with many of the world's

1 prominent nations, including the United States of America; and

2 Whereas, World War II tragically resulted in the loss of more
3 than twenty million combatants, fifty million civilians, and
4 forever altered the course of world history; and

5 Whereas, The people of Michigan mightily contributed to the
6 defense of our nation and helped arm the Allies which became known
7 as The Arsenal of Democracy; and

8 Whereas, The symbolic heart of the Arsenal of Democracy is the
9 auto industry of Detroit, particularly the Ford Willow Run Bomber
10 Plant, in Ypsilanti, Michigan, that produced 8,568 B-24 Liberator
11 bombers; and

12 Whereas, The Home Front Victory Celebration-Michigan
13 commemorates the brave men and women of Michigan who served our
14 great nation during World War II, recognizes the distinguished
15 military units of our state who served in this great war, and pays
16 homage to the many Michigan men, women, businesses, and
17 manufacturing enterprises that contributed to the war effort; now,
18 therefore, be it

19 Resolved by the Senate, That this legislative body recognize
20 the Home Front Victory Celebration-Michigan, in celebration of the
21 75th anniversary of the end of World War II; and be it further

22 Resolved, That this resolution is in memoriam to all who lost
23 their lives in World War II; and be it further

24 Resolved, That we strongly encourage our state's community
25 participation, support, and involvement of its citizens, military
26 units, businesses, as well as private and fraternal organizations
27 in the Home Front Victory Celebration-Michigan to mark the
28 cessation of this war's hostilities.