

HOUSE BILL NO. 4852

June 27, 2023, Introduced by Reps. Rheingans, Arbit, Byrnes, Conlin, Wilson, Steckloff, Tsernoglou, Skaggs, Brabec, Scott, Pohutsky, Tyrone Carter, Hood, Dievendorf, Edwards, Miller, Morgan, Hill, Coffia, Mentzer, Breen, Brixie, Weiss, Rogers, Haadsma, Price, Young, Fitzgerald, Witwer, MacDonell and Aiyash and referred to the Committee on Agriculture.

A bill to designate the official native grain of the state of Michigan.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 1. Manoomin (*Zizania palustris* and *Zizania aquatica*),
2 also known as Michigan wild rice, is designated as the official
3 native grain of this state. Let it be known that manoomin is a
4 sacred and important component to many wetlands and has a cultural
5 significance to indigenous people of this state.