

# HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.166

Reps. Fink, Alexander, Bezotte, Bollin, Fox, Haadsma, Paiz, Rheingans and Wilson offered the following resolution:

1           A resolution to declare November 10, 2023, as Marine Corps Day  
2 in the state of Michigan.

3           Whereas, The United States Marine Corps was founded on  
4 November 10, 1775, in Tun Tavern, Philadelphia to augment naval  
5 forces in the Revolutionary War, prior to the founding of the  
6 United States; and

7           Whereas, The greatest weapon on earth is the Marine and his  
8 rifle; and

9           Whereas, The Marine Corps motto Semper Fidelis, Latin for  
10 "Always Faithful", reflects an eternal and collective commitment to  
11 success in battle, the progress of our Nation, and the steadfast  
12 loyalty each Marine has to the Marines they fight alongside; and

1           Whereas, The Marines have exemplified the highest standards of  
2 honor, courage, and commitment, and continue to forge this legacy  
3 of bravery and selfless dedication to our nation and its  
4 Constitution today; and

5           Whereas, Marines have exhibited exemplary bravery and  
6 sacrifice in defense of our freedoms in countless battles  
7 throughout our nation's history; and

8           Whereas, The nickname "Devil Dog" was bestowed upon the  
9 Marines by German soldiers at the Battle of Belleau Wood in June of  
10 1918 due to the menacing appearance of Marines as they attacked a  
11 hill occupied by German forces; and

12           Whereas, The fighting spirit of each and every Marine  
13 continues to flourish and ensure the defense of our nation against  
14 enemies both foreign and domestic; and

15           Whereas, The steadfast commitment, courage, and sacrifice of  
16 United States Marines have made the Marine Corps an indispensable  
17 force in defending freedom, safeguarding the nation, and upholding  
18 the principles of ordered liberty; and

19           Whereas, November 10, 2023, will mark the 248th anniversary of  
20 the founding of the United States Marine Corp; now, therefore, be  
21 it

22           Resolved by the House of Representatives, That members of this  
23 legislative body declare November 10, 2023, as Marine Corps Day in  
24 the state of Michigan. We commemorate the United States Marine  
25 Corps, wish all Marines a happy 248th birthday, and express our  
26 deepest gratitude for the unwavering service and sacrifice of the  
27 Marines.