

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 287

Reps. Xiong, Brabec, Breen, Byrnes, Glanville, Hill, MacDonell, Paiz, Rheingans and Skaggs offered the following resolution:

1           A resolution to declare June 20, 2024, as World Refugee Day in  
2 the state of Michigan.

3           Whereas, Around the world, over 100 million people have been  
4 forced to flee their homes due to violence and persecution,  
5 resulting in the worst refugee crisis in history; and

6           Whereas, Michigan is recognized as a welcoming state and has  
7 offered hope and safety to tens of thousands of refugees since  
8 World War II; and

9           Whereas, Michigan is home to many resettlement agencies and  
10 organizations, serving refugees along with numerous businesses,  
11 educational institutions, faith communities, and civic

1 organizations; and

2       Whereas, Refugees have made numerous social, cultural,  
3 religious, and economic contributions to communities throughout  
4 Michigan; and

5       Whereas, We encourage Michiganders to recognize the strength,  
6 perseverance, and accomplishments of their new American neighbors,  
7 and reflect on the severity of the global refugee crisis; and

8       Whereas, We recognize this moment of great global need, and  
9 Michigan's ability and desire to welcome more refugees, while  
10 calling for a more robust national response; now, therefore be it

11       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
12 this legislative body declare June 20, 2024, as World Refugee Day  
13 in the state of Michigan.