

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 82

Rep. Tsernoglou offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare April 23-April 29, 2023, as  
2 Infertility Awareness Week in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, According to the Centers for Disease Control and  
4 Prevention, 1 in 8 couples have trouble getting pregnant or  
5 sustaining a pregnancy; and

6 Whereas, The World Health Organization and American Medical  
7 Association define infertility as a disease; and

8 Whereas, Infertility affects women and men equally and does  
9 not discriminate based on race, religion, sexual orientation,  
10 marital status, or socioeconomic status; and

11 Whereas, The LGBTQ+ community also faces challenges when  
12 building their families; and

1           Whereas, All people facing infertility challenges should have  
2 access to all family building options; and

3           Whereas, Family building options include adoption and medical  
4 treatment, such as in vitro fertilization and third-party  
5 reproduction; and

6           Whereas, Cost and lack of insurance coverage are barriers for  
7 many to access the family building option they need; and

8           Whereas, Racial and socioeconomic disparities exist among  
9 those accessing fertility care, therefore raising awareness of  
10 infertility and the barriers faced by the family building community  
11 is the first step to removing these barriers; and

12           Whereas, Michigan joins the National Infertility Association  
13 and dedicated volunteers, health care professionals, and members of  
14 the infertility and family building community by participating in  
15 this promotion; now, therefore, be it

16           Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
17 this legislative body declare April 23-29, 2023, as Infertility  
18 Awareness Week in the state of Michigan.