

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 275

Rep. MacDonell offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare June 15, 2024, as World Elder Abuse
2 Awareness Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Michigan's older adults are valued members of our
4 state, and it is our responsibility to ensure their safety and
5 minimize crimes against them; and

6 Whereas, One in ten older adults in the United States
7 experience abuse, neglect and exploitation and crimes against older
8 adults often go unnoticed and unreported, leaving victims without
9 the help and support they need; and

10 Whereas, All Michigan residents should watch for signs of
11 abuse, such as physical trauma, withdrawal, depression, anxiety and
12 fear of family members, friends, or caregivers; efforts to

1 identify, report and investigate elder abuse are critically
2 important in reducing the harm to older adults; and

3 Whereas, To help victims and to prevent more older adults
4 from being victimized, we urge Michiganders to learn more about the
5 signs of elder abuse and how to report it; on this day, we join
6 with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services Division
7 of Adult Services and the Attorney General to help raise awareness
8 of elder abuse in Michigan; now, therefore, be it

9 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
10 this legislative body declare June 15, 2024, as World Elder Abuse
11 Awareness Day in the state of Michigan.

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