HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 9

Reps. Kelly, Alexander, Beson, Bollin, Fox, Greene, Johnsen, Rigas, Schuette and Steele offered the following resolution: A resolution to declare January 26-February 1, 2025, as School 1 2 Choice Week in the state of Michigan. 3 Whereas, All children in Michigan should have the right to the highest quality schools possible; and 4 5 Whereas, Citizens across Michigan agree that improving the 6 quality of education and expanding access to highly effective 7 schools should be issues of importance to our state's leaders; and 8 Whereas, Michigan recognizes the critical role that an 9 effective and accountable system of education plays in preparing all children to be successful in a global economy; and 10 11 Whereas, There are a multitude of high-quality public schools, public charter schools, home schools, and nonpublic schools in the 12 state of Michigan; and 13

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Whereas, Approximately ten percent of all K-12 students in 1 Michigan attend a public charter school; and 2 Whereas, Approximately another ten percent of all K-12 3 students in Michigan attend a private school; and 4 5 Whereas, Tens of thousands of students are homeschooled in 6 Michigan; and 7 Whereas, Overall in Michigan, one in four K-12 students participates in school of choice by attending schools in 8 neighboring districts; and 9 10 Whereas, Michigan has many outstanding teaching professionals across the state who are committed to educating children; and 11 Whereas, The vital cause of education reform is one that 12 transcends ideology and political party affiliation; and 13 14 Whereas, Research in Michigan and across the nation 15 demonstrates conclusively that providing parents with multiple schooling options improves academic performance; now, therefore, be 16 17 it 18 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare January 26-February 1, 2025, as 19 20 School Choice Week in the state of Michigan. We call this observance to the attention of all our citizens; and be it further 21 Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the 22 23 National School Choice Week organization with our highest esteem.