

Reps. Sak, Minore, Plakas, O'Neil, Pappageorge, Accavitti, Adamini, Anderson, Bieda, Brown, Caswell, Clack, Condino, Dennis, Ehardt, Farrah, Garfield, Gielegem, Gillard, Gleason, Jamnick, Kolb, Kooiman, LaSata, Lipsey, Meyer, Milosch, Phillips, Pumford, Shaffer, Sheltroun, Spade, Stallworth, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Voorhees, Waters, Wojno, Woronchak, Zelenko, Byrum, Elkins, Woodward and Richardville offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 259.

A resolution recognizing May 15-21, 2004, as Michigan Week.

Whereas, Michigan achieved statehood on January 26, 1837, becoming the nation's 26th state and uniting two peninsulas; and

Whereas, From that momentous day on, the citizens of the Great Lakes State have endeavored to create a better place in which to live; and

Whereas, For more than 160 years, Michigan residents have exhibited unique resilience in adapting to obstacles and challenges, and have demonstrated skill and innovation that has earned our state the respect of the nation and the world; and

Whereas, Michigan is blessed beyond measure with natural wonders, man-made marvels, colorful seasons, and diverse recreations making all citizens proud of our majestic state and ready to share with others the many reasons why we call it home; and

Whereas, Each year since 1954, the people of this state have celebrated Michigan Week as a time to encourage greater knowledge and awareness of Michigan and its history; to afford an inspired view of our state's advantages to the world; and to foster a spirit of cooperation among all communities that will make the Great Lakes State a better place to live, work, and raise a family; and

Whereas, The Governor of Michigan has declared Michigan Week from May 15-21, 2004, with the theme, "Great Lakes, Great Traditions: Celebrating Michigan's Heritage"; now, therefore be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body hereby recognize May 15-21, 2004, as Michigan Week.