

Senators Colbeck, Green, Booher, Hildenbrand, Pavlov, Nofs, Kowall, Shirkey, O'Brien, Emmons and Hune offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 4.

A resolution recognizing January 22 - January 28, 2017, as Michigan School Choice Week.

Whereas, All children in Michigan should have the right to the highest-quality schools possible; and

Whereas, Citizens across Michigan agree that improving the quality of education and expanding access to highly-effective schools should be issues of importance to our state's leaders; and

Whereas, Michigan recognizes the critical role that an effective and accountable system of education plays in preparing all children to be successful in a global economy; and

Whereas, There are a multitude of high-quality public schools, public charter schools, and nonpublic schools in the state of Michigan; and

Whereas, Michigan has many outstanding teaching professionals in public, private, and charter schools across the state who are committed to educating children; and

Whereas, The vital cause of education reform is one that transcends ideology and political party affiliation; and

Whereas, Research in Michigan and across the nation demonstrates conclusively that providing parents with multiple schooling options improves academic performance; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we hereby recognize January 22 - January 28, 2017, as Michigan School Choice Week, and we call this observance to the attention of all our citizens; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the National School Choice Week organization with our highest esteem.