

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 197

Reps. Tate, Breen, Fitzgerald, Glanville, Miller, Myers-Phillips, Paiz, Rheingans, Rogers and Witwer offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare October 23, 2025, as Detroit-Windsor
2 Tunnel Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, On November 3, 1930, the Detroit-Windsor Tunnel
4 officially opened to traffic following a historic telegraphic
5 signal from President Herbert Hoover, becoming the first and only
6 underwater vehicular tunnel in the world to connect two sovereign
7 nations; and

8 Whereas, Conceived through cross-border vision and cooperation
9 beginning in 1919 between Detroit Mayor James Couzens and Windsor
10 Mayor Edward Blake Winter, the tunnel was completed ahead of
11 schedule and under budget, marking one of the great engineering
12 achievements of the 20th century; and

1 Whereas, For 95 years the tunnel has served as a vital
2 economic and cultural artery, linking Downtown Detroit, Michigan
3 and Downtown Windsor, Ontario, and facilitating the movement of
4 people, goods, and services between our two nations; and

5 Whereas, More than 3.7 million vehicles traveled through the
6 tunnel in 2023 alone, including over 11,600 passenger and nearly
7 240 commercial vehicles daily—supporting a regional supply chain
8 for auto parts, steel, agriculture, and medical services; and

9 Whereas, The tunnel supports over 325 jobs in Detroit and
10 contributes more than \$595 million annually in economic impact to
11 the City of Detroit, helping to fuel tourism, workforce mobility,
12 and binational commerce; and

13 Whereas, The tunnel stands as a model of cross-border
14 collaboration and a symbol of the enduring partnership between
15 Michigan and Ontario; now, therefore, be it

16 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
17 this legislative body declare October 23, 2025, as Detroit-Windsor
18 Tunnel Day in the state of Michigan. We recognize the importance of
19 this unique infrastructure asset as it celebrates its 95th
20 anniversary and looks ahead to its continued role in linking our
21 communities and driving our shared future.