

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 203

Rep. VanWoerkom offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare November 2025 as Diabetes Awareness
2 Month in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Approximately 923,000 adults and children in Michigan
4 are affected by Type 1 or Type 2 diabetes and approximately 29.7
5 million Americans are affected nationwide; and

6 Whereas, Approximately 51,000 new people are diagnosed with
7 diabetes each year in Michigan; and

8 Whereas, Type 1 diabetes typically presents during childhood
9 or adolescence, but can also develop in adults; and

10 Whereas, The warning signs of Type 1 diabetes include
11 excessive thirst, frequent urination, rapid weight loss, stomach
12 pain, nausea, vomiting, fatigue, and weakness and are often
13 mistaken for the flu, strep throat, a growth spurt, or a urinary
14 tract infection; and

1 Whereas, In 2021, approximately 352,000 children and
2 adolescents younger than 20 years had diagnosed diabetes in the
3 United States; and

4 Whereas, The warning signs of Type 2 diabetes include
5 increased thirst, frequent urination, increased appetite, weight
6 loss, fatigue, and dark patches of skin; and

7 Whereas, As childhood obesity increases, there is an ongoing
8 shift of Type 2 Diabetes from an adult disease to one that affects
9 children; and

10 Whereas, The 2022 direct medical cost of diabetes in Michigan
11 was estimated at \$10.8 billion; and

12 Whereas, There is not a cure for Types 1 or 2 diabetes, but
13 the diseases may be manageable through diet, exercise, insulin
14 therapy or other medications; now, therefore, be it

15 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
16 this legislative body declare November 2025 as Diabetes Awareness
17 Month in the State of Michigan.