

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 205

Reps. Mentzer, Price, Miller, Arbit, McKinney, O'Neal, Neeley, McFall, Xiong, Brixie, Longjohn, B. Carter, Pohutsky, Tsernoglou, Coffia, Koleszar, MacDonell, Young, Martus, Hope, Rheingans, Wooden, Byrnes, Paiz, Scott and Witwer offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to strongly urge President Donald J. Trump and  
2       the United States Congress to take immediate and deliberate action  
3       to ensure the issuance of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program  
4       benefits for the month of November and for the duration of the  
5       continued lapse in appropriations.

6       Whereas, The Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)  
7       provides food benefits to low-income families. SNAP is the nation's  
8       largest nutrition assistance program, serving more than 42 million  
9       individuals across the nation; and

10       Whereas, In Michigan alone, nearly 13 percent of households –

1 approximately 1.4 million individuals – relied on SNAP benefits to  
2 access food in 2024. Of these households, 43 percent included  
3 children, 36 percent included older adults, and 51 percent included  
4 a person with a disability; and

5       Whereas, On October 10, the Michigan Department of Health and  
6 Human Services received notice from the United States Department of  
7 Agriculture’s Food and Nutrition Service directing states to hold  
8 their November issuance files and delay transmission to state EBT  
9 vendors until further notice. This means that Michiganders will not  
10 receive SNAP benefits for November; and

11       Whereas, SNAP is a lifeline that helps put food on the table  
12 for children, seniors, veterans, disabled persons, and other  
13 vulnerable individuals struggling to meet their basic food needs.  
14 The loss of SNAP benefits would harm these vulnerable Michiganders  
15 and exacerbate challenges this state faces with food insecurity and  
16 childhood hunger; and

17       Whereas, While food banks and pantries are preparing to  
18 expeditiously serve as many Michiganders as possible, neither alone  
19 has the capacity nor the funding to meet the demand or make up for  
20 the loss of SNAP benefits for Michigan families; now, therefore, be  
21 it

22       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That we urge  
23 President Donald J. Trump and the United States Congress to take  
24 immediate and deliberate action to ensure the issuance of SNAP  
25 benefits for the month of November and for the duration of the  
26 continued lapse in appropriations; and be it further

27       Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the  
28 President of the United States, the Speaker of the United States  
29 House of Representatives, the Majority Leader of the United States

1 Senate, the United States Secretary of Agriculture, and the members  
2 of the Michigan congressional delegation.