SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 85

Senators Victory and Daley offered the following resolution: A resolution to urge Michigan's United States Senators Elissa 1 2 Slotkin and Gary Peters to vote in support of H.R. 5371 to reopen 3 the federal government and resume funding for critical government programs, such as the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, 4 that are essential for many Michigan families. 5 6 Whereas, The federal government shutdown will likely lead to 7 disruptions in critical government services that Michigan residents rely on. The federal government recently posted a public notice and 8 informed state departments that the federal government will be 9 10 freezing federal aid for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits beginning on November 1, 2025; and 11 12 Whereas, SNAP is a critical program that provides food benefits to nearly one and a half million Michiganders. Michigan 13 also leverages the SNAP program to implement the Double Up Food 14

- 1 Bucks program, which encourages beneficiaries to buy fresh, healthy
- 2 fruits and vegetables; and
- 3 Whereas, The United States House of Representatives has passed
- 4 legislation, H.R. 5371, to provide short-term funding for the
- 5 federal government while the bipartisan appropriations process
- 6 continues; and
- 7 Whereas, Hundreds of thousands of federal employees have begun
- 8 to miss paychecks and are furloughed or working without pay.
- 9 Continuing the government shutdown will exacerbate the impact on
- 10 Michiganders and citizens across the United States; now, therefore,
- 11 be it.
- 12 Resolved by the Senate, That we urge Michigan's United States
- 13 Senators Elissa Slotkin and Gary Peters to vote in support of H.R.
- 14 5371 to reopen the federal government and resume funding for
- 15 critical government programs, such as the Supplemental Nutrition
- 16 Assistance Program, that are essential for many Michigan families;
- 17 and be it further
- 18 Resolved, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to
- 19 United States Senator Elissa Slotkin and United States Senator Gary
- 20 Peters.