HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.62

Reps. Garrett, Chirkun, Clemente, Garza, Gay-Dagnogo, Haadsma, Jones, Kahle, Kuppa, Lasinski, Manoogian, Shannon, Sneller, Sowerby, Stone, Warren and Witwer offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare April 10, 2019, as End Epilepsy Day in 2 the state of Michigan.

Whereas, End Epilepsy Day seeks to raise awareness about, and change the conversation around, epilepsy and seizures, to engage everyone in the fight to End Epilepsy, as well as to improve and save lives through care, advocacy, research and new therapies, and

7 education; and

8 Whereas, Epilepsy is a disorder of the brain characterized by
9 recurrent and unprovoked seizures that can affect anyone, at any
10 age, any time; and

11 Whereas, Approximately 3.4 million people in the United

- 1 States, including 108,000 people in Michigan, live with epilepsy
- 2 and seizures; and
- 3 Whereas, While many treatments are approved to treat seizures,
- 4 thirty to forty percent with epilepsy still live with uncontrolled
- 5 seizures despite multiple treatment trials; and
- 6 Whereas, Epilepsy can affect anyone with a brain, and anyone
- 7 with a brain can affect epilepsy; and
- 8 Whereas, Through action together on End Epilepsy Day and
- 9 during other awareness initiatives, such as International Epilepsy
- 10 Day, National Epilepsy Awareness Month, and Brain Awareness Week -
- 11 and every day of the year we must increase public awareness about
- 12 epilepsy and seizure first aid and change the way people think
- 13 about epilepsy and seizures; now, therefore, be it
- 14 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 15 this legislative body declare April 10, 2019, as End Epilepsy Day
- 16 in the state of Michigan. We encourage Michigan residents to take
- 17 action together and use our brains to end epilepsy and the
- 18 challenges of epilepsy.