

# HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 70

Reps. Rendon, Garza, Haadsma, Jones, Liberati, Afendoulis, Allor, Anthony, Bellino, Bolden, Calley, Camilleri, Brenda Carter, Chirkun, Clemente, Crawford, Eisen, Ellison, Garrett, Green, Hammoud, Hope, Hornberger, Huizenga, Inman, Cynthia Johnson, Kahle, Koleszar, LaFave, Love, Manoogian, Markkanen, Meerman, Pagan, Pohutsky, Rabhi, Shannon, Stone, Vaupel, Warren, Webber, Wendzel, Wentworth, Whitsett, Witwer and Yancey offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to declare April 24, 2019, as Suits and Sneakers  
2 Day in the state of Michigan.

3       Whereas, The Coaches vs. Cancer program is a nationwide  
4 collaboration between the American Cancer Society and the National  
5 Association of Basketball Coaches, leveraging the personal  
6 experiences, community leadership, and professional excellence of



1 coaches nationwide to increase cancer awareness and promote healthy  
2 living through year-round awareness efforts, fundraising  
3 activities, and advocacy programs; and

4       Whereas, The American Cancer Society saves lives and creates a  
5 world with more birthdays by helping people stay well, helping  
6 people get well, finding cures, and fighting back in partnership  
7 with its nonpartisan advocacy affiliate, the American Cancer  
8 Society Cancer Action Network; and

9       Whereas, More than 58,000 Michiganders will be newly-diagnosed  
10 with cancer in 2019; and

11       Whereas, Cancer patients face countless challenges associated  
12 with their diagnoses, including physical, emotional, financial, and  
13 day-to-day challenges; and

14       Whereas, Since 1993, coaches and their supporters have raised  
15 more than \$87 million for the American Cancer Society to help make  
16 the American Cancer Society's services and programs available to  
17 those who need them the most; and

18       Whereas, During January 21-27, 2019, the Coaches vs. Cancer  
19 Suits And Sneakers Awareness nationwide effort united coaches  
20 across the country to wear sneakers with their game attire while  
21 coaching games. It also encourages lawmakers and others to  
22 similarly wear suits and sneakers to raise awareness about the  
23 fight against cancer, share the importance of nutrition and  
24 physical activity in reducing one's cancer risk, and promote the  
25 American Cancer Society as a resource for help and support; and

26       Whereas, The Coaches vs. Cancer Suits And Sneakers effort saw  
27 Michigan coaches join together with their fellow coaches  
28 nationwide, as well as thousands of volunteers for the American  
29 Cancer Society and the American Cancer Society Cancer Action

1 Network, to advocate on behalf of cancer patients, survivors, and  
2 caregivers so that one day cancer will be eliminated as a major  
3 public health issue; now, therefore, be it

4       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
5 this legislative body declare April 24, 2019, as Suits and Sneakers  
6 Day in the state of Michigan; and be it further

7       Resolved, That we urge all Michiganders to use this day as an  
8 opportunity to educate themselves about cancer and take proactive  
9 steps to reduce their risks and get appropriate screenings.