## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 100

Reps. Reilly, Allor, Chirkun, Crawford and Kahle offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare May 16, 2019, as Home Education Day in 2 the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The state of Michigan is committed to excellence ineducation; and

5 Whereas, Michigan law affirms that it is the natural,

6 fundamental right of parents and legal guardians to determine and

7 direct the care, teaching, and education of their children; and

**8** Whereas, Research demonstrates conclusively that educational

9 alternatives and direct family participation improve academic

10 performance; and

11 Whereas, Families engaged in home-based education are not

12 dependent on public, tax-funded resources for their children's

- 1 education, thus saving Michigan taxpayers millions of dollars
- 2 annually; and
- 3 Whereas, Educating children at home was the predominant form
- 4 of education during much of our nation's history; and
- 5 Whereas, Home education has a long history of success in our
- 6 country, producing such notable Americans as George Washington,
- 7 Benjamin Franklin, Patrick Henry, John Quincy Adams, John Marshall,
- 8 Robert E. Lee, Abraham Lincoln, Thomas Edison, Helen Keller, Clara
- 9 Barton, Laura Ingalls Wilder, Franklin D. Roosevelt, George Patton,
- 10 Douglas MacArthur, Frank Lloyd Wright, John Philip Sousa, and Tim
- 11 Tebow among many others; and
- Whereas, Michigan's home educated students are being equipped
- 13 to be successful, informed, engaged, ethical, and productive
- 14 citizens who enrich our society and contribute to the well-being of
- 15 our state; and
- 16 Whereas, Michigan parents who home educate their children at
- 17 their own expense are dedicating their time and talents to ensuring
- 18 that their child's academic, spiritual, physical, psychological,
- 19 social, and emotional needs are met, and are therefore to be
- 20 commended for their extraordinary sacrifice and commitment; now,
- 21 therefore, be it
- 22 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 23 this legislative body declare May 16, 2019, as Home Education Day
- 24 in the state of Michigan. We call this observance to the attention
- 25 of all our citizens; and be it further
- 26 Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the
- 27 Michigan Christian Homeschool Network organization with our highest
- 28 esteem.