

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.194

Reps. Hood, Pohutsky, Garza, Shannon, Witwer, Byrd, Cynthia Johnson, Cherry, Lasinski, Gay-Dagnogo, Sowerby, Brenda Carter, Coleman, Manoogian, Haadsma, LaGrand, Bolden, Stone, Kuppa, Rabhi, Brann, Anthony, Calley, Tyrone Carter, Miller, Ellison, Sneller, Afendoulis, Huizenga, Howell, VanWoerkom, Hoadley, Hammoud, Allor, Clemente, Hope, Jones, Love, Pagan, Sabo, Warren and Wittenberg offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare November 1, 2019, as Lead Poisoning
2 Prevention Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Lead is a dangerous and harmful substance to humans.
4 It gets in our water, soil, and households. Lead comes from many
5 sources such as paint, pipes, and certain toys; and

6 Whereas, The effects of lead can affect people of all ages.



1 However, children, especially those under six, are at a much higher
2 risk for lead poisoning. Many items that children play with, such
3 as toys and remains of lead paint dust, may cause lead to enter a
4 child's body and can have dangerous consequences. Among these
5 consequences are brain and nervous system damage, slow growth and
6 development, and hearing and speech problems. Adults may experience
7 decreased kidney function and elevated blood pressure; and

8 Whereas, The effects of lead can stay in a person's body for
9 30 years or more; and

10 Whereas, This state has seen firsthand the effects that lead
11 poisoning can have on people; and

12 Whereas, According to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban
13 Development, low income communities are at a greater risk for lead
14 poisoning than those in other communities; and

15 Whereas, Lead poisoning is preventable. There are many steps
16 individuals can take to avoid lead poisoning, which include having
17 drinking water tested, removing shoes before entering the home to
18 prevent spreading lead from dust or soil, and thoroughly washing
19 children's toys, hands, and pacifiers; and

20 Whereas, Lead Poisoning Prevention Day is a call to
21 individuals, organizations, industries, state, tribal, and local
22 governments to increase lead poisoning prevention awareness through
23 education, resources, and action; now, therefore, be it

24 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
25 this legislative body declare November 1, 2019, as Lead Poisoning
26 Prevention Day in the state of Michigan.