

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 70

Rep. Rendon 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
7 coaches nationwide to increase cancer awareness and promote healthy
8 living through year-round awareness efforts, fundraising
9 activities, and advocacy programs; and

10 Whereas, The American Cancer Society saves lives and creates a
11 world with more birthdays by helping people stay well, helping
12 people get well, finding cures, and fighting back in partnership



1 with its nonpartisan advocacy affiliate, the American Cancer
2 Society Cancer Action Network; and

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

5 Whereas, Cancer patients face countless challenges associated
6 with their diagnoses, including physical, emotional, financial, and
7 day-to-day challenges; and

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

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

20 Whereas, The Coaches vs. Cancer Suits And Sneakers effort saw
21 Michigan coaches join together with their fellow coaches
22 nationwide, as well as thousands of volunteers for the American
23 Cancer Society and the American Cancer Society Cancer Action
24 Network, to advocate on behalf of cancer patients, survivors, and
25 caregivers so that one day cancer will be eliminated as a major
26 public health issue; now, therefore, be it

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

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