

# HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 95

Reps. LaFave, Markkanen, Green, Wakeman, Lightner, Berman, Slagh, VanWoerkom, Crawford, O'Malley, Allor, Rendon, Webber, Reilly, Meerman, Miller, LaGrand, Tyrone Carter, Koleszar, Stone, Shannon, Tate, Pagan, Brenda Carter, Witwer, Manoogian, Brixie, Haadsma, Kuppa, Wittenberg, Cynthia Johnson, Gay-Dagnogo, Cambensy, Camilleri, Jones, Whitsett, Byrd, Ellison, Chirkun, Hood, Vaupel and Brann offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to declare May 12-18, 2019, as Police Week in the  
2 state of Michigan.

3       Whereas, In 1962, President John F. Kennedy proclaimed May  
4 15th as National Peace Officers Memorial Day and the calendar week  
5 in which May 15th falls as National Police Week. Established by a  
6 joint resolution of Congress in 1962, National Police Week pays  
7 special recognition to those law enforcement officers who have lost



1 their lives in the line of duty for the safety and protection of  
2 others; and

3       Whereas, There are more than 800,000 law enforcement officers  
4 serving in communities across the United States, including the  
5 approximately 17,000 full-time uniformed police officers in  
6 Michigan; and

7       Whereas, Members of law enforcement deserve the appreciation  
8 and respect of the people of Michigan for the merit, dignity,  
9 bravery, and reliability they exhibit each and every day. We must  
10 also honor the sacrifices made by families of police officers, as  
11 each day they must face constant fear as their loved one works to  
12 protect us; and

13       Whereas, in 2018 alone, 163 law enforcement officers were  
14 killed and many, many more were assaulted in the line of duty  
15 across the country. The names of these dedicated public servants  
16 who made the ultimate sacrifice are engraved on the walls of the  
17 National Law Enforcement Officers Memorial in Washington, D.C.; and

18       Whereas, Michigan's fallen officers will never be forgotten,  
19 nor will their service to their respective communities. By choosing  
20 to commit themselves to law enforcement, these brave individuals  
21 answered the call for service and willingly put their lives in  
22 jeopardy. We commend them for recognizing service as a noble  
23 career, protecting the public safety, and also all of those who are  
24 serving without incident to date; and

25       Whereas, Michigan and all Michigan citizens have turned to  
26 members of law enforcement for assistance and support in times of  
27 distress, whether they are coping with a personal crisis or  
28 struggling through civil disorder or a natural disaster. Our  
29 communities rely on these courageous individuals when it is

1 difficult to stand on our own and we are indebted to the unwavering  
2 public service of our local and state police. We are indeed  
3 fortunate and grateful for the contributions of law enforcement  
4 officers to the people of this state; now, therefore, be it

5       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
6 this legislative body declare May 12-18, 2019, as Police Week in  
7 the state of Michigan. We publicly salute the service of law  
8 enforcement officers in our community as well as those of our state  
9 and nation and honor police who place their lives on the line for  
10 the safety and security of their communities.