

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.146

Rep. Green offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare September 2019 as Childhood Cancer
2 Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Worldwide each year about 175,000 children ages 14
4 and under receive a cancer diagnosis. In 2018 for the United
5 States, the projection for new cancer diagnoses in that age group
6 was approximately 15,500; and

7 Whereas, Children's cancer affects all ethnic, gender, and
8 socio-economic groups; and

9 Whereas, Cancer is the leading cause of death by disease past
10 infancy for U.S. children; and

11 Whereas, Great strides have been made since the mid-1970s in



1 the fight against pediatric cancer. Because of major treatment
2 advances in recent decades, more than 80 percent of children with
3 cancer now survive 5 years or more; and

4 Whereas, Increased awareness, support, and study may help to
5 further improve these statistics and further protect our children
6 from these serious diseases; and

7 Whereas, We should renew our commitment to curing childhood
8 cancer and offer our support to the brave young people who are
9 fighting this disease; and

10 Whereas, To honor the memory of every young person lost to
11 cancer, we must unite behind improved treatment, advanced research,
12 and brighter futures for young people everywhere; and

13 Whereas, We also recognize the amazing strength of the
14 families of children who suffer from this illness; and

15 Whereas, The ability of many families to turn their grief into
16 positive action for other children who have been diagnosed with
17 cancer is truly inspirational; and

18 Whereas, All children deserve the chance to dream, discover,
19 and realize their full potential; now, therefore, be it

20 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
21 this legislative body declare September 2019 as Childhood Cancer
22 Awareness Month in the state of Michigan; and be it further

23 Resolved, That this month and every month, we extend our
24 support to young people fighting for their future opportunities and
25 recognize all who commit themselves to advancing toward the goal of
26 a cancer-free world.