HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.193

Rep. Brenda Carter offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to declare November 2019 as Poverty and 2 Homelessness Awareness Month in the state of Michigan. 3 Whereas, Last year more than 65,000 residents throughout Michigan experienced homelessness; and 4 Whereas, 11,317 households with children were homeless in 5 6 2018. The number of families affected by homelessness or at-risk of 7 having inadequate or unstable housing continues to be a significant 8 community issue; and 9 Whereas, The number of seniors, aged 55 and above, experiencing homelessness is continuously increasing. In 2018, 10 8,367 seniors experienced homelessness; and 11 12 Whereas, The Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness, the

- 1 Michigan State Housing Development Authority, supporters of
- 2 Michigan's Campaign to End Homelessness, and the Michigan
- 3 Legislative Caucus on Poverty and Homelessness are some of the many
- 4 dedicated organizations in this state whose efforts continue to
- 5 make a difference in the lives of many homeless citizens in our
- 6 communities; and
- 7 Whereas, The Campaign to End Homelessness and its many
- 8 supporters helped bring about a 9 percent decrease in the number of
- 9 persons counted living on the streets from 2015-2017; now,
- 10 therefore, be it
- 11 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 12 this legislative body declare November 2019 as Poverty and
- 13 Homelessness Awareness Month in the state of Michigan.