SENATE RESOLUTION NO.37

Senator Lauwers offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to recognize April 18, 2019, as Lineworker 2 Appreciation Day. 3 Whereas, The lineworker profession has existed for as long as 4 electricity has been a standard part of modern living; and Whereas, There are over 115,000 highly trained and skilled lineworkers in the United States, servicing 9 million miles of 6 7 wire; and 8 Whereas, Lineworkers work under dangerous conditions in order to construct and maintain the energy infrastructure of the United 9 10 States; and Whereas, These workers are often the first responders during 11 12 catastrophic events, making sure the scene is safe, while also

- 1 working around the clock to restore power after a storm emergency;
- 2 and
- 3 Whereas, Lineworkers readily respond to disaster recovery
- 4 needs anywhere in the country through mutual assistance agreements;
- 5 and
- 6 Whereas, Working in and around roadways is often required by
- 7 men and women who repair and maintain electric lines which presents
- 8 a daily danger; and
- 9 Whereas, The Michigan Legislature has passed several public
- 10 acts to require drivers to drive safely in workzones and provide
- 11 penalties for those who do not respect these workzones; and
- 12 Whereas, It is important for our state to recognize and
- 13 express our appreciation to these brave and dedicated men and women
- 14 who put their lives at risk to ensure the safe and reliable
- 15 delivery of power to our communities; now, therefore, be it
- Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
- 17 body recognize April 18, 2019, as Lineworker Appreciation Day.