SENATE RESOLUTION NO.119

Senators Irwin and Geiss offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to recognize the Home Front Victory Celebration-2 Michigan, in remembrance of the 75th anniversary of the end of 3 World War II. 4 Whereas, The Home Front Victory Celebration-Michigan takes place May 15-17, 2020, to signify the 75th anniversary of the end 5 6 of World War II; and 7 Whereas, This celebration highlights both the contributions 8 and sacrifices made by Michigan citizens, private industries, and business organizations involved in our nation's war efforts; and 9 Whereas, World War II was a global conflict fought from 1939-10 1945 that reached peak participation with many of the world's 11 prominent nations, including the United States of America; and 12

Whereas, World War II tragically resulted in the loss of more 1 than twenty million combatants, fifty million civilians, and 2 forever altered the course of world history; and 3 Whereas, The people of Michigan mightily contributed to the 4 defense of our nation and helped arm the Allies which became known 5 6 as The Arsenal of Democracy; and 7 Whereas, The symbolic heart of the Arsenal of Democracy is the auto industry of Detroit, particularly the Ford Willow Run Bomber 8 9 Plant, in Ypsilanti, Michigan, that produced 8,568 B-24 Liberator 10 bombers; and 11 Whereas, The Home Front Victory Celebration-Michigan commemorates the brave men and women of Michigan who served our 12 great nation during World War II, recognizes the distinguished 13 14 military units of our state who served in this great war, and pays 15 homage to the many Michigan men, women, businesses, and manufacturing enterprises that contributed to the war effort; now, 16 therefore, be it 17 Resolved by the Senate, That this legislative body recognize 18 19 the Home Front Victory Celebration-Michigan, in celebration of the 20 75th anniversary of the end of World War II; and be it further Resolved, That this resolution is in memoriam to all who lost 21 their lives in World War II; and be it further 22 23 Resolved, That we strongly encourage our state's community 24

Resolved, That we strongly encourage our state's community participation, support, and involvement of its citizens, military units, businesses, as well as private and fraternal organizations in the Home Front Victory Celebration-Michigan to mark the cessation of this war's hostilities.

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