

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.288

Reps. Filler, O'Malley, Breen, Tyrone Carter, Cavanagh, Garza, Haadsma, Kahle, Koleszar, Marino, Morse, Sneller, Steenland, Thanedar and Weiss offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare May 4, 2022, as Provider Appreciation
2 Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, National Provider Appreciation Day, was started in
4 1996 by a group of volunteers in New Jersey. This group saw the
5 need to recognize the tireless efforts of providers who care for
6 children of working parents; and

7 Whereas, Over half the children under the age of six
8 nationwide are estimated to spend some time in a nonparental care
9 arrangement on a weekly basis, which provides critical enrichment
10 opportunities and nurtures development for children of all

1 backgrounds and is a vital building block of our state economy; and

2 Whereas, The COVID-19 pandemic has created tremendous hardship
3 for childcare providers and the families of Michigan who depend on
4 them, who have continued to meet the needs of families while
5 risking their health and financial stability to remain open; and

6 Whereas, Our future depends on the quality of the early
7 childhood experiences provided to young children today; support for
8 high-quality childcare represents a worthy commitment to our
9 children's future; now, therefore, be it

10 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
11 this legislative body declare May 4, 2022, as Provider Appreciation
12 Day in the state of Michigan.