## MICHIGAN SENATE

## Senate Resolution No. 95

Offered by Senators Bayer, Wojno, McCann, Brinks, Chang, Bullock, Moss, Geiss and Alexander

A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE NOVEMBER 2021 AS POVERTY AND HOMELESSNESS AWARENESS MONTH

WHEREAS, Last year, 30,805 Michigan residents experienced homelessness; and

WHEREAS, In 2020, 9,930 households with children were homeless. The number of families affected by homelessness, or those at-risk of having inadequate or unstable housing, continues to be a significant community issue; and

WHEREAS, The number of seniors, aged 55 and above, experiencing homelessness has declined. In 2020, 5,289 seniors experienced homelessness as opposed to 6,210 in 2019; and

WHEREAS, The Michigan Coalition Against Homelessness (MCAH), the Michigan State Housing Development Authority (MSHDA), supporters of the Michigan Campaign to End Homelessness (MCTEH), and the Michigan Legislative Caucus on Poverty and Homelessness are some of the many dedicated organizations in this state who continue to make a difference in the lives of many homeless citizens in our communities; and

WHEREAS, From 2019-2020, MCTEH and its many supporters helped provide a 19 percent decrease in the number of persons counted as literally homeless; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the members of this legislative body designate November 2021 as Poverty and Homelessness Awareness Month.

Adopted by the Senate, November 10, 2021.

Secretary of the Senate