## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.191

Rep. Whiteford offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to declare November 10, 2021, as Adoption 2 Awareness Day in the state of Michigan. 3 Whereas, Children thrive in loving families where they are 4 nurtured, comforted, and protected; and 5 Whereas, It is important to recognize the valuable 6 contributions of individuals who travel the rewarding journey of 7 adoption by providing love, guidance, and hope for children whose 8 lives have been filled with change and uncertainty. It is also important to recognize the choice of adoption for women as a loving 9 option when faced with unplanned pregnancies; and 10 Whereas, We are committed to working as a partner with social 11 12 service agencies, organizations in communities, and child advocates 13 to help recruit and support adoptive families who make a difference

- 1 in developing positive outcomes for our children; and
- 2 Whereas, Finding nurturing permanent homes for waiting
- 3 children is a worthy objective to work toward throughout the year.
- 4 During November, special efforts are made to instill a greater
- 5 perception of the need for adoptive families; and
- 6 Whereas, Communities across the nation observe National
- 7 Adoption Month to raise awareness and encourage citizens to become
- 8 involved in the lives of these youth as adoptive parents,
- 9 volunteers, or mentors. We understand the importance of adoption
- 10 and honor those who choose an adoption plan and those who provide
- 11 children with a loving home; now, therefore, be it
- 12 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 13 this legislative body declare November 10, 2021, as Adoption
- 14 Awareness Day in the state of Michigan. We call upon all citizens
- 15 to observe this occasion, and be it further
- 16 Resolved, That we encourage Michiganders to consider adoption
- 17 during the month of November and throughout the year.