

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.217

Reps. Brixie, Rogers, Steckloff, Garza, Steenland, Coleman, Neeley, Cynthia Johnson, Sneller, Anthony, Bolden, Sowerby, Camilleri, Brabec, Puri, Manoogian, Pohutsky, Young, Cavanagh, Weiss, Aiyash, Ellison, Hope, Thanedar, Hood, Kuppa, Stone, Brenda Carter, Lasinski, Breen, Peterson, Jones, Clemente, O'Neal and Yancey offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to recognize the 49th anniversary of the issuance  
2 of the U.S. Supreme Court's *Roe v. Wade* ruling.

3       Whereas, The House of Representatives recognizes the  
4 anniversary of the United States Supreme Court decision, *Roe v.*  
5 *Wade*, decided on January 22, 1973. This ruling affirmed that the  
6 Constitution of the United States safeguards the right to make  
7 personal medical decisions and that government should not intrude;

1 and

2       Whereas, Reproductive freedom is vital to health, economic  
3 security, and the ability to participate equally in society; and

4       Whereas, Comprehensive reproductive health care, including  
5 safe abortion, is a vital component of overall health; and

6       Whereas, Like other medical procedures, the safety of abortion  
7 is furthered by evidence-based practices developed and supported by  
8 medical professionals; and

9       Whereas, Any regulation of medical care should be grounded in  
10 scientific evidence and improve health outcomes; and

11       Whereas, In the landmark decision *Whole Woman's Health v.*  
12 *Hellerstedt*, the United States Supreme Court recently reaffirmed  
13 the constitutional right to access safe, legal abortion, confirming  
14 nearly 50 years of precedent; and

15       Whereas, One in three people will need an abortion in their  
16 lifetime. As such, safe, legal, and accessible abortion is an  
17 essential component of comprehensive reproductive health care; and

18       Whereas, Everyone should have access to comprehensive health  
19 care in the state of Michigan. The right to access safe, legal  
20 abortion is a right in name only for many citizens. State imposed  
21 restrictions keep abortion out of reach for many, particularly  
22 those who have been systemically and historically marginalized,  
23 such as Black and Brown communities and those with low incomes;  
24 now, therefore, be it

25       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
26 this legislative body recognize the 49th anniversary of the  
27 issuance of the U.S. Supreme Court *Roe v. Wade* ruling. We denounce  
28 violence towards abortion providers and their patients; and be it  
29 further

1       Resolved, That we oppose efforts to undermine the *Roe v. Wade*  
2 Supreme Court decision by further eliminating access to abortion in  
3 Michigan and throughout the country; and be it further

4       Resolved, That the House of Representatives affirms that all  
5 people have the right to access reproductive health care services  
6 without fear of violence, intimidation, or harassment and no matter  
7 their color or income; and be it further

8       Resolved, That we affirm the right to access health care  
9 without interference in this state, including safe and legal  
10 abortion.