

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 95

Senators Bayer, Wojno, McCann, Brinks and Chang offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to designate November 2021 as Poverty and
2 Homelessness Awareness Month.

3 Whereas, Last year, 30,805 Michigan residents experienced
4 homelessness; and

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

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

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

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

11 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
12 body designate November 2021 as Poverty and Homelessness Awareness
13 Month.