## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 129

Reps. Andrews, Breen, Fitzgerald, Fox, Paiz, Rheingans and Weiss offered the following resolution:

- 1 A resolution to declare June 9-15, 2025, as Dad Week in the
- 2 state of Michigan.
- 3 Whereas, Fathers play a vital and irreplaceable role in the
- 4 development and wellbeing of children, families, and communities
- 5 across Michigan, contributing to stability, support, and success in
- 6 every aspect of life; and
- 7 Whereas, Studies show that children with actively engaged
- 8 fathers are more likely to thrive academically, socially, and
- 9 emotionally, and are less likely to face challenges such as
- 10 poverty, incarceration, and poor health outcomes; and
- 11 Whereas, The Present Pillars Foundation, headquartered in
- 12 Benton Harbor and serving communities across southwest Michigan,
- 13 has become a leading advocate for responsible fatherhood, men's

- 1 wellness, and the strengthening of families through innovative
- 2 programs, mentorship, and public outreach; and
- 3 Whereas, Founded by fathers and led by residents committed to
- 4 breaking cycles and building up men and families, Present Pillars
- 5 launched Dad Week to elevate the role of fathers and father figures
- 6 through a weeklong celebration of education, wellness, and
- 7 community engagement; and
- 8 Whereas, Dad Week includes events such as service projects,
- 9 fatherhood workshops, legal and employment resources, and community
- 10 celebrations that honor the contributions of local dads; and
- 11 Whereas, By declaring June 9-15 as Dad Week in the state of
- 12 Michigan, we recognize the essential role fathers play, and
- 13 encourage communities statewide to support and uplift the men who
- 14 show up every day for their families; now, therefore, be it
- 15 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 16 this legislative body declare June 9-15, 2025, as Dad Week in the
- 17 state of Michigan. We commend fathers everywhere for their
- 18 dedication to empowering and strengthening families in the state of
- 19 Michigan and beyond.