

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 130

Reps. Scott, Grant, Neeley, Hope, Hoskins, Witwer, Brixie, Mentzer, Wegela, B. Carter, Martus, MacDonell, Paiz, Miller, Snyder, Byrnes, Farhat, Dievendorf, Pohutsky, Price, Glanville, Wooden, Longjohn, Young, Koleszar, Weiss, Xiong, Rheingans, McFall, Foreman, Skaggs, Coffia, Tsernoglou, Herzberg, Tate, T. Carter, Myers-Phillips, Andrews, McKinney, Morgan, O'Neal, Fitzgerald and Wilson offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare June 12, 2025, as Black Men Awareness
2 Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Black men have played a foundational role in shaping
4 the history, culture, economy, and progress of the United States,
5 despite facing generations of discrimination, racial injustice, and
6 social and economic exclusion; and

7 Whereas, Black men have demonstrated resilience, leadership,
8 and excellence in every field of human endeavor—including

1 education, business, science, the arts, sports, public service, and
2 community activism—uplifting families, neighborhoods, and entire
3 generations; and

4 Whereas, Throughout history, Black men have stood on the front
5 lines of justice and equality, from Frederick Douglass and Malcolm
6 X to modern-day leaders, activists, fathers, educators, and mentors
7 who continue to fight for dignity, opportunity, and human rights
8 for all; and

9 Whereas, Black fathers, brothers, sons, and mentors provide
10 love, wisdom, and guidance across generations, shaping the lives of
11 young people and setting powerful examples of integrity, strength,
12 and perseverance; and

13 Whereas, Black Men Awareness Day serves to recognize the
14 strength of Black men, and highlight prominent Black men throughout
15 history, and all the contributions that Black men give to the
16 community; and

17 Whereas, We celebrate and honor Black men for their courage,
18 brilliance, contributions, and the invaluable role they play in our
19 communities, state, and nation; now, therefore, be it

20 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
21 this legislative body declare June 12, 2025, as Black Men Awareness
22 Day in the state of Michigan.