

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 181

Reps. Wozniak, Alexander, Breen, Fox, Lightner, MacDonell, Paiz, Rogers and Wooden offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to declare October 2025 as Polish American  
2 Heritage Month in the state of Michigan.

3       Whereas, Polish American Heritage Month was first established  
4 by the Congress of the United States in 1981 to honor the  
5 contributions of Polish immigrants and their descendants to the  
6 growth and prosperity of our nation; and

7       Whereas, In 2023, there was an estimated 784,200 Michiganders  
8 who identified as Polish. That is nearly 8% of the state's  
9 population, making Michigan have the second largest population of  
10 Polish Americans in America; and

11       Whereas, Polish Americans have played an essential role in  
12 shaping the history, culture, and values of the United States,  
13 bringing with them traditions of hard work, faith, community, and

1 resilience; and

2       Whereas, Distinguished individuals of Polish heritage—such as  
3 General Casimir Pulaski, who is remembered as the “Father of the  
4 American Cavalry,” and General Tadeusz Kościuszko, a brilliant  
5 military engineer and strategist—contributed greatly to America’s  
6 struggle for independence and freedom; and

7       Whereas, Polish immigrants and their descendants have enriched  
8 American society in every field, including science, education,  
9 business, the arts, public service, and the armed forces; and

10       Whereas, Millions of Polish Americans continue to preserve and  
11 share their cultural heritage, language, faith, and traditions,  
12 strengthening the diverse fabric of the United States; and

13       Whereas, The celebration of Polish American Heritage Month in  
14 October provides an opportunity to honor these achievements, foster  
15 greater understanding of Polish culture, and recognize the enduring  
16 bonds of friendship between the United States and the people of  
17 Poland; now, therefore, be it

18       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
19 the legislative body declare October 2025 as Polish American  
20 Heritage Month in the state of Michigan. We encourage all citizens  
21 to celebrate the contributions of Polish Americans to our  
22 communities, state, and nation.