## MICHIGAN SENATE

## Senate Resolution No. 29

Offered by Senators Chang, Singh, Cavanagh, Bayer, Wojno, Camilleri, Hertel, Shink, Irwin, Geiss, McMorrow, Moss and Santana

## A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE APRIL 20-26, 2025, AS INFERTILITY AWARENESS WEEK

WHEREAS, Infertility is defined as the inability to conceive after one year or longer of trying to have a child; and

WHEREAS, According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, one in eight couples suffer from infertility; and

WHEREAS, Infertility affects women and men equally, with male infertility being a factor in roughly 50 percent of cases; and

WHEREAS, In the United States, nine percent of men and 11 percent of women have experienced fertility issues; and

WHEREAS, The most common types of fertility treatment are in vitro fertilization (IVF) and intrauterine insemination (IUI); and

WHEREAS, Infertility can cause psychological distress, emotional stress, and financial difficulties for couples who can experience feelings of anger, guilt, sadness, depression, anxiety, and a loss of self-confidence and self-esteem; and

WHEREAS, Raising awareness about infertility can remove barriers to care; and

WHEREAS, Educating others on infertility can remove the stigma and increase empathy and sympathy towards those facing infertility problems; and

WHEREAS, It is critical that the state of Michigan explores solutions to ensure greater access to infertility treatment so that more citizens are able to start or grow their families; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the members of this legislative body designate April 20-26, 2025, as Infertility Awareness Week; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we join The National Infertility Association and dedicated volunteers, health care professionals, and members of the infertility and family building community by participating in this promotion.

Adopted by the Senate, April 22, 2025.

Secretary of the Senate