SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 19

Senator Singh offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Ronald McDonald House Charities®. 2

Whereas, The mission of the Ronald McDonald Charities (RMHC) 3 is to provide essential services that remove barriers, strengthen 4

families, and promote healing when children need healthcare; and 5

Whereas, In October 1974, the first Ronald McDonald House 7 opened its doors in Philadelphia and has since transformed into a

network of over 385 Ronald McDonald Houses, 270 Family Room 8

9 programs, and more than 40 Care Mobiles across the globe; and

10 Whereas, RMHC has five locations across Michigan, including

Lansing, Detroit, Grand Rapids, and two in Ann Arbor, offering

12 families a place to stay, enjoy hot meals, and support to families

13 while their child is receiving care; and

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Whereas, The Ronald McDonald Family Rooms allow families to 14

- 1 rest and find comfort within the hospital where their child is
- 2 receiving care; and
- 3 Whereas, Going beyond helping those at hospitals, RMHC takes
- 4 their care to the communities in need with Care Mobiles, which
- 5 provide dental care, medical diagnosis and treatment, as well as
- 6 health education and resources to underserved communities; and
- 7 Whereas, RMHC provided 2.7 million overnight stays to families
- 8 in 2023 alone, and fostered the creation of over 1,000 programs in
- 9 62 countries; and
- 10 Whereas, From October 2024 to October 2025, RMHC is
- 11 celebrating 50 years since it opened its doors; now, therefore, be
- **12** it
- Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
- 14 body commemorate the 50th anniversary of the Ronald McDonald House
- 15 Charities® and all the work they have done to help those in need.