## SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 52

Senator Victory offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to designate May 2025 as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS) Month. 2 Whereas, Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS), known by many as 3 4 Lou Gehrig's disease, is a progressive, fatal neurodegenerative 5 disease that attacks nerve cells in the brain and spinal cord; and 6 Whereas, ALS makes even the simplest movements including 7 walking, speaking, and gesturing nearly impossible; and Whereas, Approximately 30,000 individuals in the United States 8 9 are afflicted with ALS at any given time, with 5,000 new cases 10 appearing annually; and Whereas, Approximately 15 new cases of ALS are diagnosed every 11 12 day, with a person losing their battle with the disease every 90 13 minutes; and 14 Whereas, ALS strikes people regardless of race, sex, age, or

- 1 ethnicity; and
- 2 Whereas, Finding the causes and cure for ALS will prevent the
- 3 disease from robbing hundreds of thousands of Americans of their
- 4 dignity and lives; and
- 5 Whereas, Aggressive treatments of the symptoms of ALS can
- 6 extend the lives of those living with the disease; and
- 7 Whereas, Raising public awareness of this disease will
- 8 facilitate the discovery of a cure and bring much needed funding
- 9 for support and services to families in Michigan affected by ALS;
- 10 now, therefore, be it
- 11 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
- 12 body designate May 2025 as Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS)
- 13 Month.