

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 302

Reps. Sabo, Bezotte, Haadsma, Morse, Rogers, Weiss, Witwer and Yaroch offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare May 19, 2022, as Stop the Bleed Day in
2 the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, The "Stop the Bleed" campaign is a national awareness
4 effort to educate people about the importance of bleeding control
5 measures, encourage all Michigan citizens to participate in the
6 initiative, and learn more about the importance of bleeding control
7 measures; and

8 Whereas, Each year, more than 240,000 people die from
9 traumatic injuries sustained as a result of events including motor
10 vehicle crashes, falls, industrial and farm accidents, natural
11 disasters, tragic mass casualty events, and violence; and

12 Whereas, Trauma is the leading cause of death in the United

1 States for individuals under age 44 and the third leading cause of
2 death overall; and

3 Whereas, The most common preventable cause of death in these
4 situations is the loss of too much blood in the minutes before
5 trained immediate responders arrive; and

6 Whereas, Bleeding control is best performed with use of
7 tourniquets or direct pressure within the initial moments of trauma
8 and anyone can be trained to act as an immediate responder to stop
9 a life-threatening hemorrhage. Military experience has proven that
10 bleeding control techniques result in reduced rates of death from a
11 hemorrhage; and

12 Whereas, May 19th is National Stop the Bleed Day. The "Stop
13 the Bleed" campaign is a call-to-action movement intended to
14 cultivate grassroots efforts that encourage bystanders to become
15 trained, equipped, and empowered to help in a bleeding emergency
16 before professional help arrives; and

17 Whereas, Providing Michigan citizens with the best chance of
18 survival includes educating them with the knowledge and skills to
19 perform immediate bleeding control and encouraging public places to
20 equip bleeding control kits; now, therefore, be it

21 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
22 this legislative body declare May 19, 2022, as Stop the Bleed Day
23 in the state of Michigan.