

Reps. Vander Veen, Amos, Taub, Palsrok, Hune, Caswell, Ward, Pastor, Accavitti, Anderson, Angerer, Bieda, Brown, Byrnes, Clack, Condino, Elsenheimer, Emmons, Farhat, Farrah, Garfield, Gleason, Hansen, Hopgood, Huizenga, Jones, LaJoy, Kathleen Law, Lemmons, III, Lemmons, Jr., Lipsey, Mayes, Mortimer, Murphy, Newell, Nitz, Pavlov, Phillips, Polidori, Proos, Sak, Schuitmaker, Sheltroun, Virgil Smith, Stewart, Tobocman, Vagnozzi, Waters, Wojno and Zelenko offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 9.

A resolution designating February 3, 2005, as Wear Red for Women Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Cardiovascular disease is the nation's leading cause of death, and stroke is the third leading cause of death; and

Whereas, Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death among women; and

Whereas, Heart attack, stroke, and other cardiovascular diseases claim the lives of more than a half-million women each year--more than the next seven leading causes of death combined and nearly twice as many as all forms of cancer, including breast cancer; and

Whereas, One in five females in the United States has some form of cardiovascular disease; and

Whereas, Sixty-three percent of women who died suddenly of coronary heart disease had no previous symptoms of this disease; and

Whereas, The annual cost of cardiovascular disease and stroke in the United States is estimated at \$352 billion; and

Whereas, February is traditionally recognized as American Heart Month; and

Whereas, On February 6, 2005, the American Heart Association will celebrate the launch of the campaign named "Go Red For Women," with the declaration of National Wear Red for Women Day to enlighten women on the magnitude of heart disease, encourage them to modify behaviors that will reduce their risk of developing heart disease, and help them to live longer and stronger lives; therefore be it

Resolved by House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare February 3, 2005, as Wear Red for Women Day in the state of Michigan and help promote Wear Red Day in your local community to raise awareness of this potential threat.