

Reps. Aaron Miller, Canfield, Crawford, Heise, Hoadley, Howrylak, Kelly, Lauwers, LaVoy, Maturen, Poleski, Potvin, Price, Webber and Whiteford offered the following resolution:
House Resolution No. 276.

A resolution to declare April 28, 2016, as Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, The Take Our Daughters To Work Day program was created in New York City as a response to research that showed that by the 8th grade, many girls were dropping out of school, had low self-esteem, and lacked confidence; and

Whereas, In 2003, the name of the program was changed to “Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Day” so that boys who face many of the same challenges as girls could also be involved in the program; and

Whereas, The mission of the program, to develop “innovative strategies that empower girls and boys to overcome societal barriers to reach their full potential,” now fully reflects the addition of boys; and

Whereas, In 2007, the program transitioned to Elizabeth City, North Carolina, became its own foundation known as the Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Foundation, and received national recognition for the dedication of the Foundation to future generations; and

Whereas, The Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Foundation, a nonprofit organization, has grown to become one of the largest public awareness campaigns, with more than 37,400,000 participants annually in more than 3,000,000 organizations and workplaces in every state; and

Whereas, Every year, mayors, governors, and other private and public officials sign proclamations and lend their support to Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work; and

Whereas, The fame of the Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work program has spread overseas, with requests and inquiries being made from around the world on how to operate the program; and

Whereas, Take Our Daughters and Sons to Work Day will be observed in workplaces around the country on Thursday, April 28, 2016; and

Whereas, Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work is intended to continue helping millions of girls and boys on an annual basis through experienced activities and events to examine their opportunities and strive to reach their fullest potential: now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare April 28, 2016, as Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Day in the state of Michigan. We recognize the goals of introducing our daughters and sons to the workplace and commend all the participants in Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work for their ongoing contributions to education, and for the vital role the participants play in promoting and ensuring a brighter, stronger future for the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Take Our Daughters and Sons To Work Foundation.