

Rep. McBroom offered the following resolution:

**House Resolution No. 77.**

A resolution to declare May 5, 2015, as International Midwives Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Midwives have been a part of the culture and tradition of Michigan since its inception and are still important in this state's health care; and

Whereas, Midwives provide a family-centered childbirth option that has grown in response to the choice of thousands of Michigan parents; and

Whereas, Midwives are dedicated to the care of pregnancy and birth and treat each woman's pregnancy according to the mother's unique and personal needs; and

Whereas, Midwives provide the necessary supervision, care and advice to women during pregnancy, labor and the postpartum period, conducts deliveries on her own responsibility and cares for the newborn and the infant, and offers childbirth education and counseling to women on health needs, family relations and postpartum concerns; and

Whereas, The World Health Organization, the International Confederation of Midwives and the Midwives Alliance of North America have noted the impact midwifery care has on improving the infant mortality rate worldwide; and

Whereas, The goals of the Michigan Midwives Association and the Friends of Michigan Midwives include improving birth outcomes in the state of Michigan; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare May 5, 2015, as International Midwives Day in the state of Michigan; and further be it

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be conveyed to members of the Michigan Midwives Association and the Friends of Michigan Midwives.