

Rep. Geiss offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 129.

A resolution to declare August 26, 2017, as Women's Equality Day in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, At every level of society, women are leaders at the forefront of progress. Serving as judges and members of Congress, setting world records in sports, founding groundbreaking companies, and fighting on the front lines of combat, women continue to tear down barriers and shatter glass ceilings; and

Whereas, The women of United States are to be commended and supported in their organizations and activities; and

Whereas, No woman should earn less than a man for doing the same job, equal pay for equal work should be a fundamental principle of our economy and our democracy; and

Whereas, We must strengthen paid sick, maternity, and family leave. Too many families are forced to make difficult choices between caring for a newborn and receiving a paycheck or staying home to help a sick child or parent and keeping their job; and

Whereas, Ensuring all young women can live full and healthy lives is vital to their pursuit of personal and professional goals; and

Whereas, The women of the Michigan have united to assure that these rights and privileges are available to all citizens equally regardless of sex; and

Whereas, The women of the Michigan have designated August 26, the anniversary date of the certification of the Nineteenth Amendment, as a symbol of the continued fight for equal rights; and

Whereas, The women of Michigan are to be commended and supported in their organizations and activities; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare August 26, 2017, as Women's Equality Day in the state of Michigan.