

Senators Proos, Hood, Schmidt, Hopgood, Gregory, Booher, Marleau, Hansen, Hildenbrand, Conyers and Emmons offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 14.

A resolution to declare February 14, 2017, as Organ Donor Registry Day.

Whereas, Many Michigan residents have saved the lives of others and given them new beginnings by donating an organ; and

Whereas, There are currently about 3,500 people in the state of Michigan waiting patiently and with courage to receive an organ donation; and

Whereas, One-half of the state's adult population has registered with the Michigan Organ Donor Registry; and

Whereas, It is imperative that all citizens are aware of the opportunity to save and enhance the lives of others through organ donation and transplantation; and

Whereas, It is possible to transplant approximately 25 different organs and tissues, including liver, bone, bone marrow, cartilage, cornea, heart, kidney, lung, and pancreas; and

Whereas, Organ and tissue donation from one individual can save or enhance the lives of up to seventy-five people; and

Whereas, Families receive comfort in their grief knowing that through organ donation another person's life has been saved; and

Whereas, Those who choose to donate set an example of undeniable generosity and compassion and this reflects the character of these individuals whose choice saves the lives of others; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That we declare February 14, 2017, as Organ Donor Registry Day; and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be transmitted to Gift of Life of Michigan as evidence of our esteem.