

Senator Booher offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 110.

A resolution to declare November 8, 2017, as STEM Day.

Whereas, An education in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) is critical to our children's future and the continued growth and prosperity of Michigan; and

Whereas, We look to deliver world class education that will determine Michigan's success in the 21st century; and

Whereas, Michigan's economy is growing and creating jobs, yet thousands of these jobs remain unfilled because employers cannot find enough workers with the necessary skills; and

Whereas, If Michigan students become inspired by STEM at an early age, there is a greater likelihood they will want to enter those growing career fields when they graduate; and

Whereas, STEM is not only science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, but also a way of learning in which students comprehend by doing, thinking critically, and not being afraid of failure; and

Whereas, Increased awareness in our community of STEM education and STEM-related careers will advance Michigan's workforce; and

Whereas, STEM-related careers will be pivotal in the 21st century economy; and

Whereas, A STEM education will ensure our state's workforce will be equipped for the jobs of tomorrow; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body declare November 8, 2017, as STEM Day; and be it further

Resolved, That we call upon parents, educators, community organizations, businesses, governments, and the people of Michigan to observe this day with appropriate programs and activities.