

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 66

Reps. O'Malley, Gay-Dagnogo, Haadsma, Liberati and Sowerby offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare April 15-21, 2019, as Aviation Week in
2 the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, We are in the 21st century, moving further into the
4 air age and a global economy, and airport infrastructure is
5 critical for our economy to compete in today's marketplace; and

6 Whereas, Michigan's geography as a peninsula makes aviation
7 necessary for the fast and efficient transport of people, goods,
8 and services; and

9 Whereas, Nearly 1 billion pounds of air cargo are carried into
10 the state annually to support Michigan businesses. General aviation
11 contributes \$21.9 billion annually to our state economy; and

12 Whereas, Our businesses, industries, and foreign firms need



1 reliable runways, taxiways, and navigational systems for the
2 conducting of their business. Michigan boasts 234 public-use
3 airports, serving over 13,550 pilots and 6,000 aircraft; and

4 Whereas, More than 1,000 Michigan companies, employing 1
5 million people, operate their own aircraft. Our state is home to 53
6 charter flight companies, 97 repair stations, and 70 licensed
7 flight schools; now, therefore, be it

8 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
9 this legislative body declare April 15-21, 2019, as Aviation Week
10 in the state of Michigan.