HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.147

Reps. Wozniak, Allor, Bollin, Brenda Carter, Chirkun, Crawford, Garza, Liberati, Schroeder, Shannon, Sneller, Warren and Wittenberg offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare September 2019 as PACE Awareness Month 2 in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, The PACE (Program of All-inclusive Care for the

4 Elderly) model centers around the belief that it is better for

5 frail elderly individuals to be served while continuing to live

6 independently in the community whenever safely possible; and

7 Whereas, PACE is a fully integrated model that provides

8 comprehensive highly coordinated services allowing older adults who

9 meet state eligibility criteria for nursing home level of care to

10 continue living in the community; and

11 Whereas, PACE programs assume full financial risk for all



- 1 medical care and related services, including transportation,
- 2 hospitalization, and long-term care, in return for capitated
- 3 payments from Medicare and Medicaid. This controls costs for the
- 4 state while providing improved health outcomes and greater
- 5 satisfaction for participants; and
- 6 Whereas, The PACE Association of Michigan was formed in 2015
- 7 to support, safeguard, and expand Michigan PACE programs and
- 8 initiatives through education and advocacy to enhance the lives of
- 9 PACE participants and their caregivers; and
- 10 Whereas, Michigan's first PACE program opened in 1995. Today,
- 11 over 3,100 participants are served by 13 PACE programs in 20 sites
- 12 across the state. These locations include PACE Southeast Michigan,
- 13 Care Resources, Life Circles PACE, Senior Care Partners PACE, PACE
- 14 of Southwest Michigan, Huron Valley PACE, Senior CommUnity Care of
- 15 Michigan, Great Lakes PACE, Genesys PACE, Thome PACE, Community
- 16 PACE at Home, PACE Central Michigan, and PACE North; now,
- 17 therefore, be it
- 18 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 19 this legislative body declare September 2019 as PACE Awareness
- 20 Month in the state of Michigan.