

# HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.336

Reps. Stone, Clemente, Gay-Dagnogo, Hope, Cynthia Johnson, Kuppa, Sneller and Sowerby offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare November 28, 2020, as Holodomor  
2 Memorial Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Millions of Ukrainians perished as a result of the  
4 Ukrainian Famine and Genocide (Holodomor) of 1932-33; and

5 Whereas, The term "Holodomor" is a Ukrainian word that means  
6 "extermination by means of starvation"; and

7 Whereas, It is recognized that the Soviet authorities denied,  
8 concealed, or destroyed information about the Holodomor and that  
9 accurate information about this tragic event has only recently been  
10 made available; and

11 Whereas, The Organization for Security and Co-operation in  
12 Europe (OSCE), the largest regional security organization in the

1 world, passed a resolution that welcomes the recognition of the  
2 Holodomor in the United Nations, by the United Nations Educational,  
3 Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), and by the national  
4 parliaments of a number of the OSCE participating states; and

5       Whereas, The OSCE strongly encourages all parliaments and  
6 legislatures to adopt acts regarding recognition of the Holodomor;  
7 and

8       Whereas, Some of the survivors of the Holodomor and their  
9 descendants reside in Michigan and have contributed to Michigan's  
10 cultural, economic, political, and educational life; and

11       Whereas, The people of Michigan value democratic freedoms,  
12 human rights, and the rule of law, honor the values of compassion  
13 and honesty, and cherish the multicultural vibrancy of the state;  
14 and

15       Whereas, The 4th Saturday in November has been recognized  
16 internationally as a day to commemorate the Holodomor; and

17       Whereas, The year 2020 marks the 87th anniversary of the  
18 Holodomor; and

19       Whereas, It is important and fitting to observe Holodomor  
20 Memorial Day for the purposes of recognizing the Holodomor and of  
21 reflecting on the horrific legacy of this event; now, therefore, be  
22 it

23       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of  
24 this legislative body declare November 28, 2020, as Holodomor  
25 Memorial Day in the state of Michigan.