

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 34

Senators Schmidt, LaSata, Outman, Santana, Polehanki, Wojno, Victory, Irwin, Lucido, Bizon, Zorn, MacDonald, Runestad, Johnson, Ananich, Hollier, Chang, Horn, Alexander, Brinks, Bullock, Hertel, McCann, McMorrow and Moss offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to recognize April 24, 2019, as Suits and
2 Sneakers® Day.

3 Whereas, The Coaches vs. Cancer program is a nationwide
4 collaboration between the American Cancer Society and the National
5 Association of Basketball Coaches, leveraging the personal
6 experiences, community leadership, and professional excellence of
7 coaches nationwide to increase cancer awareness and promote healthy
8 living through year-round awareness efforts, fundraising
9 activities, and advocacy programs; and

1 Whereas, The American Cancer Society saves lives and creates a
2 world with more birthdays by helping people stay well, get well,
3 find cures, and fight back in partnership with its nonpartisan
4 advocacy affiliate, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action
5 Network; and

6 Whereas, More than 58,000 Michiganders will be newly-diagnosed
7 with cancer in 2019; and

8 Whereas, Cancer patients face countless challenges associated
9 with their diagnoses, including physical, emotional, financial, and
10 day-to-day challenges; and

11 Whereas, Since 1993, coaches and their supporters have raised
12 more than \$87 million for the American Cancer Society to help make
13 the American Cancer Society's services and programs available to
14 those who need them the most; and

15 Whereas, During January 21-27, 2019, the Coaches vs. Cancer
16 Suits And Sneakers® Awareness nationwide effort united coaches
17 across the country to wear sneakers with their game attire while
18 coaching games. Similarly, it also encouraged lawmakers and others
19 to wear suits and sneakers to raise awareness about the fight
20 against cancer, share the importance of nutrition and physical
21 activity in reducing one's cancer risk, and promote the American
22 Cancer Society as a resource for help and support; and

23 Whereas, The Coaches vs. Cancer Suits And Sneakers® effort saw
24 Michigan coaches join together with their fellow coaches
25 nationwide, as well as thousands of volunteers for the American
26 Cancer Society and the American Cancer Society Cancer Action
27 Network, to advocate on behalf of cancer patients, survivors, and
28 caregivers so that one day cancer will be eliminated as a major
29 public health issue; now, therefore, be it

1 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
2 body recognize April 24, 2019, as Suits and Sneakers® Day; and be
3 it further

4 Resolved, That we urge all Michiganders to use this day as an
5 opportunity to educate themselves about cancer and take proactive
6 steps to reduce their risks and get appropriate screenings.