## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.336

Rep. Stone 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 Whereas, The term "Holodomor" is a Ukrainian word that means 5 "extermination by means of starvation"; and 6 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 Whereas, The Organization for Security and Co-operation in 11 12 Europe (OSCE), the largest regional security organization in the 13 world, passed a resolution that welcomes the recognition of the

- 1 Holodomor in the United Nations, by the United Nations Educational,
- 2 Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), and by the national
- 3 parliaments of a number of the OSCE participating states; and
- 4 Whereas, The OSCE strongly encourages all parliaments and
- 5 legislatures to adopt acts regarding recognition of the Holodomor;
- 6 and
- 7 Whereas, Some of the survivors of the Holodomor and their
- 8 descendants reside in Michigan and have contributed to Michigan's
- 9 cultural, economic, political, and educational life; and
- 10 Whereas, The people of Michigan value democratic freedoms,
- 11 human rights, and the rule of law, honor the values of compassion
- 12 and honesty, and cherish the multicultural vibrancy of the state;
- **13** and
- 14 Whereas, The 4th Saturday in November has been recognized
- 15 internationally as a day to commemorate the Holodomor; and
- 16 Whereas, The year 2020 marks the 87th anniversary of the
- 17 Holodomor; and
- 18 Whereas, It is important and fitting to observe Holodomor
- 19 Memorial Day for the purposes of recognizing the Holodomor and of
- 20 reflecting on the horrific legacy of this event; now, therefore, be
- **21** it
- 22 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
- 23 this legislative body declare November 28, 2020, as Holodomor
- 24 Memorial Day in the state of Michigan.