

SENATE RESOLUTION NO.19

Senator Nesbitt offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution commemorating March 2019 as Problem Gambling
2 Awareness Month.

3 Whereas, Whereas, Legalized gambling is available in a variety
4 of forms across Michigan; and

5 Whereas, For some individuals, gambling becomes an issue with
6 significant societal and economic costs for them, their families,
7 and their communities; and

8 Whereas, Problem gambling is a public health issue affecting
9 individuals of all ages and backgrounds; and

10 Whereas, The National Council on Problem Gambling is
11 coordinating the fifteenth annual National Problem Gambling
12 Awareness Month during March, and seeks to increase public

1 awareness of problem gambling as well as the availability of
2 prevention, treatment, and recovery services; and

3 Whereas, Problem gambling is treatable and such treatment is
4 effective in minimizing harm to both individuals and society; and

5 Whereas, It is important to raise public awareness of the
6 warning signs of problem gambling and the availability and
7 effectiveness of treatment; and

8 Whereas, Educating citizens about problem gambling is
9 important not only to recognize it, but to prevent it as well; now,
10 therefore, be it

11 Resolved by the Senate, That members of this legislative body
12 commemorate March 2019 as Problem Gambling Awareness Month; and be
13 it further

14 Resolved, That we urge the state of Michigan to recognize the
15 seriousness of problem gambling and encourage all of its citizens
16 to play responsibly.