

SENATE RESOLUTION NO.34

Senators Schmidt, LaSata, Outman, Santana, Polehanki, Wojno, Victory, Irwin, Lucido, Bizon, Zorn, MacDonald, Runestad, Johnson, Ananich, Hollier, Chang and Horn 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

10 Whereas, The American Cancer Society saves lives and creates a

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

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

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

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

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

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

29 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative

1 body recognize April 24, 2019, as Suits and Sneakers® Day; and be
2 it further

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