

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.112

Reps. Hood, Brenda Carter, Stone, Aiyash, Kuppa, O'Neal, Thanedar, Anthony, LaGrand, Hertel, Camilleri, Puri, Pohutsky, Weiss, Liberati, Haadsma, Tate, Whitsett, Tyrone Carter, Brixie, Cavanagh, Jones, Yancey, Bezotte, Brabec, Breen, Cherry, Hope, Rogers, Sneller, Sowerby, Steenland and Young offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare May 20, 2021, as Hip Hop Appreciation
2 Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, We recognize the cultural and artistic contributions
4 of hip hop to Michigan communities; and

5 Whereas, We acknowledge that, since 1998, every third week of
6 May has been designated as Hip Hop Appreciation Week. During this
7 time, communities are encouraged to honor their ancestors, reflect
8 upon their cultural contributions, and appreciate the elements and
9 principles of hip hop culture, which includes: Breakin', Emceeing,

1 Graffiti Art, Deejayin', Beatboxin', Fashion, Knowledge Of Self,
2 Slang Language, Street Entrepreneurialism, and Health and Wellness;
3 and

4 Whereas, Hip hop is a tool for positive social change. It has
5 been a vehicle for breaking down racial, cultural, and religious
6 barriers on a world-wide level. It is also a means for overcoming
7 challenges, encouraging awareness, inspiration, and wisdom; and

8 Whereas, Hip hop culture has become a key to uplifting the
9 spirit of many. Hip hop has greatly influenced the entertainment
10 world with its creative contributions in music, dance, art, poetry,
11 fashion, education, spirituality, and life; and

12 Whereas, We encourage Michigan communities to acknowledge and
13 appreciate the work and impact of hip hop artists on our culture;
14 now, therefore, be it

15 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
16 this legislative body declare May 20, 2021, as Hip Hop Appreciation
17 Day in the state of Michigan. We support hip hop community members
18 and we thank hip hop artists for their cultural and artistic
19 contributions to our society.