

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 43

Senators Moss, Schmidt, Bayer, McMorrow, Polehanki and Santana offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to designate April 28, 2021, 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
11 world with more birthdays by helping people stay well, get well,

1 find cures, and fight back in partnership with its nonpartisan
2 advocacy affiliate, the American Cancer Society Cancer Action
3 Network; and

4 Whereas, More than 62,150 Michiganders will be newly-diagnosed
5 with cancer in 2021; and

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

9 Whereas, Since 1993, coaches and their supporters have raised
10 more than \$135 million for the American Cancer Society to help make
11 the American Cancer Society's services and programs available to
12 those who need them the most; and

13 Whereas, During January 25-31, 2021, the Coaches vs. Cancer
14 Suits And Sneakers® Awareness nationwide effort united coaches
15 across the country to wear sneakers with their game attire while
16 coaching games. Similarly, it also encouraged lawmakers and others
17 to wear suits and sneakers to raise awareness about the fight
18 against cancer, share the importance of nutrition and physical
19 activity in reducing one's cancer risk, and promote the American
20 Cancer Society as a resource for help and support; and

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

28 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
29 body designate April 28, 2021, as Suits And Sneakers® Day; and be

1 it further

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