

## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 77

Reps. Borton, Allor, Brabec, Rogers, O'Neal, Hope, Sabo, Sowerby, Morse, Lightner, Anthony, Markkanen, Martin, Griffin, Alexander, Bezotte, Calley, Marino, Peterson, Rabhi and Haadsma offered the following resolution:

1       A resolution to declare April 2021 as County Government Month  
2 in the state of Michigan.

3       Whereas, County governments play a vital role in the delivery  
4 of key public services as the original regional government in our  
5 state; and

6       Whereas, April has been set aside nationally to highlight the  
7 important work of counties across the United States; and

8       Whereas, The COVID-19 pandemic has highlighted the duties that  
9 counties have for Michigan's public health and public safety; and

10       Whereas, Counties supervise programs such as mental health,

1 care for abused and neglected children, courts, vital records, land  
2 and property records, disaster preparedness, solid waste  
3 management, property tax administration, law enforcement, election  
4 administration, and incarceration of convicts. These programs are  
5 provided on behalf of and in conjunction with the state of  
6 Michigan; and

7       Whereas, Local governments and counties collaborate to provide  
8 such services as parks and recreation programs, senior citizen  
9 services, medical care facilities, drainage systems, and  
10 infrastructure construction and maintenance; and

11       Whereas, The theme for this year's County Government Month is  
12 "Counties Matter" and focuses on the critical role counties play in  
13 public life; and

14       Whereas, Each year since 1991, counties across the country  
15 have actively promoted their own programs and services to the  
16 public they serve; and

17       Whereas, During this month, we join with the local counties  
18 and county commissioners to recognize and raise awareness of the  
19 countless efforts and contributions of county boards of  
20 commissioners throughout Michigan; now, therefore, be it

21       Resolved by the House of Representatives, That members of this  
22 legislative body declare April 2021 as County Government Month in  
23 the state of Michigan. We urge all citizens to observe the month  
24 with appropriate programs and activities.