

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 29

Senators Daley, Bayer and Theis offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to recognize April 2023 as Donate Life Month.

2 Whereas, More than 2,400 Michigan residents are currently
3 waiting for a lifesaving organ transplant and thousands more would
4 benefit from tissue and corneal transplants; and

5 Whereas, Michigan has about 4.4 million people on the Organ
6 Donor Registry, but more than 42 percent of adults have not yet
7 registered to save and heal others; and

8 Whereas, The need for organ, tissue, and eye donations remains
9 a critical need in both Michigan and the United States; and

10 Whereas, Nationwide, an average of 20 people die each day
11 because a donated organ did not become available; and

1 Whereas, Organ, tissue, and eye donation can provide families
2 that are tragically confronted by the death of a loved one the
3 comfort of knowing that the gift of life provides another person
4 with renewed hope for a healthy life; and

5 Whereas, A single organ, tissue, and eye donation can save
6 eight lives and improve the lives of up to 75 people; and

7 Whereas, The act of giving the gift of life through organ,
8 tissue, and eye donation to someone facing imminent death, or
9 living with blindness or a disability, is the ultimate act of
10 generosity and kindness; now, therefore, be it

11 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative
12 body recognize April 2023 as Donate Life Month; and be it further

13 Resolved, That we encourage all residents to join the Michigan
14 Organ Donor Registry, share their decision with their families,
15 friends, and colleagues, and encourage them to do the same.