MICHIGAN SENATE

Senate Resolution No. 80

Offered by Senator Lauwers

A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE NOVEMBER 8, 2023, AS AUTO HERITAGE DAY AND RECOGNIZE THE 25TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE MOTORCITIES NATIONAL HERITAGE AREA PARTNERSHIP

WHEREAS, In 1998, The MotorCities National Heritage Area Partnership was created when Congress and the National Park Service recognized the significance of the American automobile including the people, stories, and places that shaped its history; and

WHEREAS, The MotorCities National Heritage Area Partnership is Michigan's only national heritage area, located throughout a region of more than 10,000 miles covering a population of more than six million people; and

WHEREAS, The MotorCities National Heritage Area is the largest concentration of auto-related sites, attractions, and events in the world, attracting millions of visitors each year; and

WHEREAS, Annually, the MotorCities National Heritage Area generates \$490 million in economic impact, including \$40 million in tax revenue and over 5,300 jobs; and

WHEREAS, For the ninth consecutive year, MotorCities National Heritage Area, in partnership with the Michigan Legislative Auto Caucus, organized Michigan Auto Heritage Day, where supporters of automotive heritage preservation come together in celebration of the state's unique automotive history; and

WHEREAS, The Michigan Legislative Auto Caucus allows members to exchange ideas and influence policy, including auto heritage policy; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the members of this legislative body designate November 8, 2023, as Auto Heritage Day and recognize the 25th Anniversary of the MotorCities National Heritage Area Partnership.

Adopted by the Senate, November 8, 2023.

Secretary of the Senat