MICHIGAN SENATE

Senate Resolution No. 96

Offered by Senators Irwin, Brinks, Cherry, Santana and Singh

A RESOLUTION TO COMMEMORATE FEBRUARY 11-17, 2024, AS MICHIGAN 2-1-1 WEEK

WHEREAS, Launched in 2002, Michigan 2-1-1 is a service provided at no cost to residents, and connects them with thousands of both public and private health and human services agencies and resources right in their communities- quickly, easily, and confidentially; and

WHEREAS, The 2-1-1 helpline is available 24 hours a day, 365 days a year via phone, email, live chat, and online databases; and

WHEREAS, Michigan 2-1-1 has supported the state during recent disasters, including recent water contamination crises, tornados, and flooding, and global crises, including information related to the COVID-19 emergency; and

WHEREAS, In Michigan, 433,000 individuals contacted 2-1-1 for assistance with housing, utility assistance, food assistance, job training, and other resources in just the last year alone; and

WHEREAS, We recognize 2-1-1's service as a valued, community asset and are grateful to the dedicated community care advocates for their efficient, effective, and compassionate response to the growing needs of residents; and

WHEREAS, Coinciding with February 11th (2-11), this week is appropriate for recognizing the beneficial services provided by our community care advocates through 2-1-1; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the members of this legislative body commemorate February 11-17, 2024, as Michigan 2-1-1 Week. We aim to increase awareness about these beneficial services to Michigan residents in need.

Adopted by the Senate, February 14, 2024.

Secretary of the Senate