SENATE RESOLUTION NO.96

Senator Irwin offered the following resolution: 1 A resolution to commemorate February 11-17, 2024, as Michigan 2 2-1-1 Week. 3 Whereas, Launched in 2002, Michigan 2-1-1 is a service provided at no cost to residents, and connects them with thousands 4 of both public and private health and human services agencies and 5 6 resources right in their communities- quickly, easily, and 7 confidentially; and 8 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 9 Whereas, Michigan 2-1-1 has supported the state during recent 10 disasters, including recent water contamination crises, tornados, 11 and flooding, and global crises, including information related to 12

the COVID-19 emergency; and 1 2 Whereas, In Michigan, 433,000 individuals contacted 2-1-1 for assistance with housing, utility assistance, food assistance, job 3 training, and other resources in just the last year alone; and 4 Whereas, We recognize 2-1-1's service as a valued, community 5 6 asset and are grateful to the dedicated community care advocates 7 for their efficient, effective, and compassionate response to the 8 growing needs of residents; and 9 Whereas, Coinciding with February 11th (2-11), this week is 10 appropriate for recognizing the beneficial services provided by our 11 community care advocates through 2-1-1; now, therefore, be it 12 Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body commemorate February 11-17, 2024, as Michigan 2-1-1 Week. We 13 14 aim to increase awareness about these beneficial services to

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Michigan residents in need.