HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.134

Reps. Miller, Paquette, Chirkun, Clemente, Gay-Dagnogo, Haadsma, Jones, Kahle, Lasinski, Shannon, Slagh, Stone and Warren offered the following resolution:

A resolution to declare July 2019 as Dark Sky Awareness Month
 in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, The beauty and wonder of a dark night sky is part of
4 the cultural and scientific heritage of all humanity and should be
5 preserved and protected; and

6 Whereas, Residents, photographers, astronomers and visitors
7 from all walks of life appreciate the dark sky of Michigan through
8 stargazing, as one can clearly see the heavens at night; and
9 Whereas, Outdoor lighting constitutes "light pollution" of the

10 nighttime environment; and

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Whereas, Attention to the problem of light pollution and



1 mitigation efforts will help ensure that the sky is preserved; and 2 Whereas, Public awareness of the benefits of dark skies is

3 encouraged; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare July 2019, as Dark Sky Awareness Month in the state of Michigan. We recognize the local individuals and municipalities working to keep Michigan skies free of light pollution and we commend them for their efforts to ensure that citizens now and into the future enjoy the benefits of a pristine nighttime sky.

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