HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.184

	Rep. Howell offered the following resolution:
1	A resolution to declare October 20-26, 2019, as Respiratory
2	Care Week in the state of Michigan.
3	Whereas, Respiratory care practitioners are well-educated and
4	highly-trained health professionals committed to providing the
5	highest quality patient care. Respiratory care practitioners work
6	in all arenas of health care from the emergency room, critical care
7	units, medical and surgical units, diagnostics, skilled nursing
8	facilities, and home health care; and
9	Whereas, Respiratory care is an honorable profession and is
10	vital to sustaining high standards of health care; and
11	Whereas, The number of people affected by chronic lung disease
12	is staggering and it costs Michigan citizens millions annually in



hospitalization, physicians visits, and other medical expenses; and 1 2 Whereas, Respiratory care practitioners endeavor to educate 3 the public in prevention and early detection of lung disease and 4 encourage family physicians to utilize early screening; and Whereas, Both state and national observances of this week will 5 6 focus on increasing public awareness and the importance of early 7 detection of chronic lung disease; now, therefore, be it 8 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of 9 this legislative body declare October 20-26, 2019, as Respiratory 10 Care Week in the state of Michigan; and be it further 11 Resolved, That respiratory care practitioners across this 12 state be commended for their outstanding contributions to health 13 care.