

Rep. Cochran offered the following resolution:

House Resolution No. 116.

A resolution to declare July 24-26, 2015, as MDA Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union Fill the Boot Weekend in the state of Michigan.

Whereas, Fire fighters have long been Americas heroes who risk their lives for the safety and well being of the communities they serve; and

Whereas, Fire fighters have one of the most hazardous professions, requiring extensive training, strength, endurance, courage, and a selfless concern for the welfare of Michigan's citizens; and

Whereas, For over 60 years, the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF) has partnered with the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA) in the fight against neuromuscular diseases; and

Whereas, Since 1954, IAFF members have shown an unwavering commitment to defeating muscular dystrophy and related life-threatening diseases; and

Whereas, Due to their service and dedication to the MDA, fire fighters from the Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union have raised more than 4.1 million dollars to find a cure to fight these neuromuscular diseases; and

Whereas, Funds are raised primarily through MDA's signature Fill the Boot campaign, in which member fire fighters gather on streets across the country collecting money in their boots from neighbors and passersby; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body declare July 24-26, 2015, as MDA Michigan Professional Fire Fighters Union Fill the Boot Weekend in the state of Michigan; and be it further

Resolved, That this legislative body applauds the dedicated service and contribution fire fighters provide to the residents of Michigan and to the Muscular Dystrophy Association.