

Senator Proos offered the following resolution:

Senate Resolution No. 70.

A resolution to recognize June 15-21, 2015, as Men's Health Week and June 15, 2015, as Blue Monday.

Whereas, The top causes of death in American men are heart disease at 25.4 percent and cancer at 24.1 percent, and 1 in 6 American men will develop prostate cancer in their lifetime; and

Whereas, More than half of all premature deaths among American men are preventable, and only 30 percent of men's health factors are genetic, while 70 percent are environmental; and

Whereas, Almost twice as many men as women die as a result of injuries and violence each year, and the three leading causes of death from injuries for men are road traffic injuries, suicide, and homicide; and

Whereas, The purpose of Men's Health Week is to heighten the awareness of preventable health problems and encourage early detection and treatment of disease among men and boys; and

Whereas, This week gives health care providers, public policy makers, the media, and all individuals an opportunity to encourage men and boys to seek regular medical advice and early treatment for disease and injury; and

Whereas, Blue Monday is a day to promote and kick off Men's Health Week, endorse men's health engagement, education, and advocacy, and demonstrate a dedicated interest in the men's health movement; and

Whereas, As part of Blue Monday, men, women, and children who wish to support the men in their lives are asked to dress in blue, and men are encouraged to plan exercise or a healthful activity to be a part of that day; and

Whereas, Businesses, corporations, and community organizations are asked to embrace Blue Monday as part of their culture, joining employees together to support the cause; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize June 15-21, 2015, as Men's Health Week and June 15, 2015, as Blue Monday in the state of Michigan. We strongly urge all citizens to increase their knowledge of men's health issues as well as disease and injury prevention.