

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 69

Reps. Vaupel and LaFave offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare May 4-11, 2019, as Tardive Dyskinesia
2 Awareness Week in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Tardive Dyskinesia (TD) is a condition of involuntary
4 muscle movements of the face, trunk, and extremities that can vary
5 in frequency and amplitude; and

6 Whereas, TD is a condition that may occur with certain
7 medications used to treat mental illness. TD results from treatment
8 with dopamine receptor blocking agents used for both psychiatric
9 and non-psychiatric conditions, and can persist even after
10 continuing treatment; and

11 Whereas, Research done by The Citizens Commission on Human
12 Rights shows that more than 12 million Americans take



1 antipsychotics and that more than 500,000 of those patients may
2 have TD; and

3 Whereas, Anyone taking an antipsychotic medication may develop
4 TD, but people who are elderly, female, diabetic, or have a mental
5 illness are at a greater risk of developing TD; now, therefore, be
6 it

7 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
8 this legislative body declare May 4-11, 2019, as Tardive Dyskinesia
9 Awareness Week in the state of Michigan; and be it further

10 Resolved, That we acknowledge the significant interest of the
11 state of Michigan to increase public awareness of Tardive
12 Dyskinesia, a neurological disorder that is characterized by
13 repetitive, involuntary muscle movements and may occur as a side
14 effect of long-term use of antipsychotic and other medications.