

SENATE RESOLUTION NO.140

Senators Anthony, Geiss, McMorrow and Santana offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to recognize September 26, 2024, as World
2 Contraception Day.

3 Whereas, Every year on September 26th, we recognize the
4 importance of the availability of safe and effective contraception
5 to allow individuals the freedom to plan if, when, and how they
6 begin a family; and

7 Whereas, Contraception was named one of the 10 greatest public
8 health achievements of the 20th century by the Centers for Disease
9 Control and Prevention; and

10 Whereas, Access to contraception empowers individuals by
11 giving them the freedom to pursue educational and career

opportunities without the interruption of an unplanned pregnancy;
and

Whereas, Education on contraception is crucial to preventing misinformation and helping to ease cultural taboos surrounding its use; and

Whereas, Contraception is fundamental healthcare that should be available to all individuals, and is critical to an individual's autonomy, equality, and ability to participate in a social, economic, and political life to their fullest desire; and

Whereas, Contraception protects against the transmission of sexually transmitted infections in addition to preventing unintended or short-term interval pregnancies; and

Whereas, Certain forms of contraception may be used to treat other health conditions including premenstrual syndrome (PMS), polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS), endometriosis pain and migraines, and can reduce the risk of certain gynecologic disorders, including endometrial and ovarian cancer; and

Whereas, Despite its many benefits, the United Nations estimates that there are over 257 million individuals worldwide who have an unmet need for safe and effective contraception; and

Whereas, As Americans continue to see persistent attacks on reproductive care such as contraception, Michigan continues to be a leader in the fight to safeguard access to contraceptives; and

Whereas, We renew our efforts to ensure safe and effective contraception remains available to all Michiganders, giving them the freedom to plan the timing, number, and spacing of their children if they choose to begin a family; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, That the members of this legislative body recognize September 26, 2024, as World Contraception Day; and

1 be it further

2 Resolved, That we acknowledge the value of safe and effective
3 contraception and the continuing need to protect access to this
4 critical component of healthcare.