

MICHIGAN SENATE

Senate Resolution No. 33

Offered by Senators McCann, Geiss and Hertel

A RESOLUTION TO DESIGNATE APRIL 2023 AS COMMUNITY COLLEGE MONTH

WHEREAS, Community College Month is an appropriate time to acknowledge community colleges and the important contributions they make to the richness and accessibility of post-secondary education; and

WHEREAS, The leaders and staff of community colleges are fully devoted to the praiseworthy mission of providing relevant academic and technical coursework leading to industry-recognized credentials; and

WHEREAS, Each year, Michigan's community colleges enroll 270,000 students while granting 19,400 degrees and 6,100 certificates. In Michigan, 52 percent of students who earn bachelor's degrees have completed courses at a community college; and

WHEREAS, Investing in community colleges helps meet the real and immediate challenges of economic development, student achievement, and competitiveness; and

WHEREAS, Students of all ages and backgrounds who attend these exceptional schools receive a superb education and earn degrees, certificates, and training that help them become skilled members of a workforce that propels economic growth and encourages learning and culture; and

WHEREAS, The strength and success of Michigan's community colleges, the vitality of its communities, and the effectiveness of our American society depend upon excellent organizations, exemplified by community colleges; and

WHEREAS, We honor and salute Michigan's 31 community and tribal colleges in recognition of April 2023 as Michigan Community College Month; and

WHEREAS, It is altogether proper and fitting for this legislative body to pause in its deliberations and recognize Michigan's community colleges, affirming their importance to the citizens of this state; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the members of this legislative body designate April 2023 as Community College Month; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the continued awareness of community college job training for Michigan students to ensure the sustainability of our workforce for the years to come.

Adopted by the Senate, April 13, 2023.


Secretary of the Senate