## HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.99

Reps. Bollin, Alexander, Bezotte, Breen, Glanville, Haadsma, Hope, Rheingans, Schuette, Weiss and Witwer offered the following resolution:

- 1 A resolution to declare April 30-May 6, 2023, as Professional
- 2 Municipal Clerks Week in the state of Michigan.
- 3 Whereas, There are professional municipal clerks serving
- 4 towns, townships, villages, boroughs, and counties throughout
- 5 Michigan, the United States, Canada, and thirteen other countries;
- 6 and
- 7 Whereas, Professional Municipal Clerks Week was first declared
- 8 in 1984 when President Ronald Reagan signed a proclamation
- 9 dedicating the first full week of May as a time to recognize the
- 10 essential role municipal clerks play in local government; and

Whereas, The office of the municipal clerk, is a long-1 established and essential unit of local government which exists 2 throughout many nations throughout the world; and 3 4 Whereas, The office of the municipal clerk is the longest 5 serving profession among public servants; and 6 Whereas, It provides the professional and accessible link 7 between citizenry, local governing bodies, and government agencies; 8 and 9 Whereas, The municipal clerk serves as the information center 10 on functions of local government units and the wider community; and 11 Whereas, Municipal clerks have pledged to be ever mindful of their neutrality and impartiality, rendering service to all; and 12 Whereas, Municipal clerks continually strive to improve the 13 14 administration of the affairs of the office of the municipal clerk 15 through participation in education programs, seminars, workshops, and the annual meetings of their state, province, county, and 16 international professional organizations; and 17 18 Whereas, The municipal clerk maintains and oversees the integrity of local, state, and national elections within the 19 20 community ensuring that all residents have the opportunity to vote and that their vote will count; now, therefore, be it 21 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of 22 23 this legislative body declare April 30-May 6, 2023, as Professional Municipal Clerks Week in the state of Michigan. We proclaim this 24 25 week in recognition of the contributions of the office of the municipal clerk in the state of Michigan; and be it further 26 27 Resolved, That we extend our deepest appreciation to our 28 municipal clerks for the vital services they perform and the 29 exemplary dedication to the communities they serve.