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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO.39

Reps. Morse, Peterson, Rogers, Stone, Rabhi, Coleman, Anthony, O'Neal, Young, Brabec, Ellison, Liberati, Sabo, Neeley, Puri, Cavanagh, Breen, Aiyash, Steckloff, Thanedar, Kuppa, Brixie, Pohutsky, Scott, Weiss, Brenda Carter, Lasinski, Tyrone Carter, Cherry, Clemente, Sowerby, Sneller, Hope, Camilleri, Shannon, Garza, Hood, Cambensy, Steenland, Koleszar, Manoogian, Cynthia Johnson, Yancey, Haadsma and Witwer offered the following resolution:

A resolution to recognize the life-saving work and innovation of employees in Michigan and around the country working to manufacture and distribute the COVID-19 vaccine.

Whereas, There are Michigan workers who are instrumental in the manufacturing and distribution of the COVID-19 vaccine across the United States of America and world. This includes the Portage Pfizer manufacturing facility with 2,500 employees; and

Whereas, Over the past year, nearly 600,000 Michiganders were afflicted with COVID-19, with over 15,000 succumbing to the devastating virus. In the United States, there have been over 27 million confirmed cases, while nearly 500,000 of our fellow Americans have lost their lives due to a COVID-19 infection; and

Whereas, In April of 2020, as COVID-19 claimed thousands of lives across the country and around the globe, biopharmaceutical plants began the herculean task of creating a life-saving vaccine to address the worldwide crisis; and

Whereas, These plants have committed to expediting production of the COVID-19 vaccine. Specifically, Pfizer has purposed to produce 200 million doses intended for the United States by May of 2021, along with announcing the admirable goal of producing 2 billion doses by the close of 2021; and

Whereas, Our nation has experienced a crisis unlike anything we have ever witnessed. The determination and dedication of the men and women working around the clock to produce the COVID-19 vaccine fills Michiganders and Americans with immense hope and pride. The world looks to these innovators as an example of a COVID-19 response that America has done right. While the battle against COVID-19 is far from over, these teams and their historic response to the global pandemic has provided a monumental step toward a well-functioning economy, health, safety and normalcy; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of this legislative body recognize the life-saving work and innovation of employees in Michigan and around the country working to manufacture and distribute the COVID-19 vaccine. We honor the thousands of biopharmaceutical employees in our state and their unparalleled contribution to the fight against COVID-19.

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