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LANSING, Mich. – Governor Gretchen Whitmer and Lt. Governor Garlin Gilchrist are
marking the one-year anniversary of the first cases of COVID-19 being diagnosed in
Michigan by asking all Michiganders to turn on the lights outside of their homes on
Wednesday, March 10th, from 8:00 PM to 9:00 PM, in remembrance of the
Michiganders we have lost.

"We've had a difficult year and lost so many fellow Michiganders, "said Governor
Whitmer. "On Wednesday, Lieutenant Governor Gilchrist and I urge everyone to turn
on their porch lights for an hour, so that we can remember those we've lost

and remind ourselves that even in times of darkness, we're in this together. As we mark this occasion, we also look towards the light at the end of the tunnel. We have three safe, effective vaccines, all miracles of science, that will help protect you, your family, and others from COVID and help us get our country and the economy back to normal."

"It's been one year since COVID-19 was found in Michigan, and as a result, this virus has changed almost every aspect of our daily lives, but despite its darkness, we have seen the brightest light shine in the determined resolve of each other during these trying times," said Lt. Governor Garlin Gilchrist. "The simple act of turning on our lights is a way to remember and honor those we have lost and show that we're all in this together and we will emerge from this crisis, together."

View and download the anniversary flyer below:

Governor Whitmer's 2023 State of the State Address as Prepared for Delivery

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Governor Whitmer Announces L&L Products Investing $25 Million to Expand in Romeo, Creating Up to 65 Advanced Manufacturing Jobs

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Governor Whitmer Continues Mission to Pitch More Michigan Jobs, Advanced Manufacturing Industry Opportunities During Day Two of European Investment Mission

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January 18, 2023: Foster Grandparent Volunteer Day

January 17, 2023: Day of Racial Healing

January 16, 2023: Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

January 16-22, 2023: Community Risk Reduction Week

Gov. Whitmer's Healthy Moms, Healthy Babies Initiative
Expands to Include Doula Services for Medicaid Recipients

Governor Whitmer Makes Appointment to Board of State
Canvassers

Gov. Whitmer Announces Awards to Build or Improve Nearly
700 Affordable Housing Units Across Michigan

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