

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 328

Reps. Hall, Gay-Dagnogo and Cynthia Johnson offered the following resolution:

1 A resolution to declare December 4, 2020, as Pallister-Killian
2 Syndrome Awareness Day in the state of Michigan.

3 Whereas, Pallister-Killian Syndrome (PKS) is a rare genetic
4 disorder resulting from the double duplication of the short arm of
5 chromosome 12, causing children to suffer low muscle tone,
6 seizures, global development delays, hearing and vision loss, and
7 other conditions; and

8 Whereas, PKS happens randomly at conception and for no known
9 reason. It is thought that there are fewer than 300 diagnosed
10 cases in the world. However, many doctors believe that the
11 incidences of PKS are much higher as possibly as many as 2,000

1 cases exist in the United States alone. Improper testing methods
2 and lack of awareness of this condition is the main cause for the
3 undiagnosed cases; and

4 Whereas, It is the goal of this resolution to promote
5 research, education, and raise awareness within the medical
6 community to ensure early diagnoses of children with PKS; and

7 Whereas, Increased awareness of this condition will help
8 families and caregivers of children with PKS acquire the resources
9 and support they need to manage this disorder; now, therefore, be
10 it

11 Resolved by the House of Representatives, That the members of
12 this legislative body declare December 4, 2020, as Pallister-
13 Killian Awareness Day in the state of Michigan.