

# The Michigan Assembly General Assembly Meeting Agenda



Date: January 20, 2026

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## General Assembly Meeting

7:00pm – 9:00pm

### Welcome

- Opening Prayer (a volunteer)
- Bivens Decision (Marshal At Arms)
- Meeting Protocol (Marshal At Arms)
- Changes to meeting minutes from January 6, 2026

### Committee Reports

- Treasury
- Records
- Recording Secretaries
- Education
- New Member Orientation
- Events and Outreach
- Ombudsman Service
- Information Technology & Communication
- Vetting
- Elections
- General Assembly Working Group (GAWG)
- Jural Assembly Working Group (JAWG)
- Militia Working Group (MWG)
- International Business Assembly Working Group (IBAWG)
- Coach's Corner

### In Process Items

- **Disclaimer - Long Form** (Nigel Turtle, Jural Assembly Working Group)
  - Proposal Designation: **JA-20250010**
  - *Shall the Michigan General Assembly adopt the long form Disclaimer attached in this proposal for use in public meetings organized by the Litigation Committee?*
- **Elections for Court Roles** (Nigel Turtle, Jural Assembly Working Group)
- **Elections for General Assembly Roles** (Rick Worden, Coordinator)

### New Items

- **GA General Affirmations - Revised** (Nigel Turtle, GA Working Group)
  - Proposal Designation: **GA-20250018** (attached)
  - *Shall the Michigan General Assembly adopt the revised Affirmation attached in this proposal for all members accepting offices and roles in the General Assembly?*

### Close

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**The Michigan Assembly  
Proposal  
Designation GA-20250018  
GA General Affirmation – Revised**



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**Proposal Information**

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**Proposal Question:** Shall the Michigan General Assembly adopt the revised Affirmation attached in this proposal for all members accepting offices and roles in the General Assembly?

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**Describe how this proposal serves and/or protects the people on Michigan:**

The proposal provides greater clarity regarding the trade off a member makes with respect to their right to remain in the private, when they take on a position in our assembling and assembled government. As such it provides for greater accountability and transparency when concerns or conflicts arise with regard to the propriety of actions and conduct of those in critical or public facing positions.

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**Summary and/or Link(s) to Relevant Document(s):**

The text added in paragraph 1 of the attached document makes it clear that all office holders and committee leaders derive their authority from the Assembly's Committee of the Whole, i.e. the GA. The other additional text makes it clear that the member taking the affirmation is accepting certain limitations on their freedom and their responsibility to engage in conflict resolution when specific allegations are brought against them in their governmental capacity. It also emphasizes the standard of ethical conduct and decorum expected of them.

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**Sponsoring Committees:** GA Working Group

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**Urgency:** Routine

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**Amount of Funding Needed:** \$0

**Funding Source:** No Funds Required

**Recurring Expense:** No

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**History**

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**Date Initially Written:** January 14, 2026

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**Initiated by:** Nigel Turtle

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**Origination Details:**

The proposal is the result of many discussions both in the GA Working Group and the JA Working Group addressing gaps in our guidelines.

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**Committees Consulted and their Input:**

The JA Working Group has been closely involved.

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**Dissenting Voices of Men and Women:**

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**Notes/Timeline:**

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**Proposal Implementation and Status**

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**Implementation Plan:**

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**Committee Responsible for Leading Implementation:**

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**Date First Presented to the GA:**

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**Response to Public Originator (If Proposal is from a Public Source):** Not Applicable

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**Proposal Status:** In Progress

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**Proposal Votes**

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**Date Voted on or Withdrawn:**

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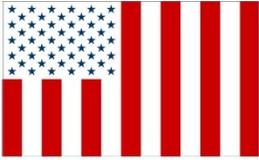
**Number of Yes Votes:**

**Number of No Votes:**

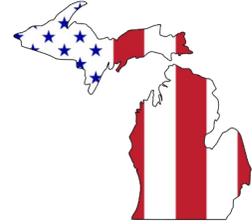
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**Ready to go on the Agenda: Yes On the Agenda: Yes**

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The United States of America
The Michigan Assembly



The Michigan State <Position> Affirmation

Notice to Principal is Notice to Agent, Notice to Agent is Notice to Principal

(To be spoken verbally in front of witnesses.)

In the name and by the authority of Michigan, the soil jurisdiction, and the Michigan Assembly Committee of the Whole, the land jurisdiction,

I, \_\_\_\_\_, do solemnly affirm that I will faithfully and honestly execute the duties in the State <office or role> as <Position> to the best of my abilities for The Michigan Assembly, under the penalties of perjury, under the public law of The United States of America (Unincorporated).

I affirm this <office or role> is for a term of \_\_\_\_\_, expiring on \_\_\_\_\_.

I affirm that I have expatriated from any citizenship obligation presumed to be owed to the Territorial United States and/or to the Municipal United States and I make no claim of dual citizenship and hold no allegiance to any foreign power at all.

I affirm that in accepting this <office or role> I am agreeing to serve the people on Michigan in a public capacity and in so doing, I comprehend that, during my tenure, I will be foregoing my rights as a private man/woman to the extent these may be incompatible with the expectations of transparency and scrutiny implicit in public service. I further affirm that I will perform my duties at all times in accordance with due process and the ethical standards commensurate with the role and that I will strive to uphold any procedures of conduct or decorum formally adopted by the Committee of the Whole on Michigan.

I affirm that upon leaving voluntarily or involuntarily this <office or role>, I will return all property and records used or established in the course of my work to The Michigan Assembly.

This Affirmation is valid, true, correct and is granted freely, and so say I to all facts above, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_.

First Middle Family Name

Witness of Michigan Assembly Members:

Full Name of First Witness

Full Name of Second Witness