



## Washtenaw County Board of Health

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### A Resolution Recognizing Maria Militzer and Mexiquenses en Michigan for Receiving the Hometown Health Hero Award from the Michigan Public Health Week Partnership

Washtenaw County Board of Health  
April 22, 2022

WHEREAS, Maria Militzer and Mexiquenses en Michigan was awarded the Hometown Health Hero Award from the Michigan Public Health Week Partnership at a ceremony on April 13, 2022 at the Michigan State Capitol in Lansing, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, Maria Militzer and Mexiquenses en Michigan have advocated for resources to ensure that that the Latinx community in Washtenaw County had access to COVID-19 vaccinations, COVID-19 home test kits, and personal protective equipment; and

WHEREAS, Maria Militzer and Mexiquense en Michigan have continually partnered with the Washtenaw County Health Department to translate critical information and create materials in Spanish and to have Spanish interpreters present at community clinics in manufactured home communities, restaurants, and places of worship in the areas most impacted by COVID-19; and

WHEREAS, Maria and Militzer and Mexiquenses en Michigan, in addition to their usual programs and services to support the Latinx community in Washtenaw County, have created an extensive network of volunteers to contribute to the COVID-19 response efforts; and

WHEREAS, the efforts led by Maria Militzer and Mexiquenses en Michigan have resulted in over 3,000 Latinx and Spanish speaking community members of Washtenaw County receiving at least one dose of the COVID-19 through jointly hosted community vaccination clinics; and

WHEREAS, Maria Militzer and Mexiquenses en Michigan have directly impacted the COVID-19 vaccination rates among Latinx and Spanish speaking community members of Washtenaw County such that there is no disparity in first dose vaccination rates among Latinx community members in Washtenaw County; and

WHEREAS, Maria Militzer and Mexiquenses en Michigan worked with the Washtenaw County Health Department to distribute over 6,500 KN95 masks and 1,500 over-the-counter COVID-19 tests to Latinx and Spanish speaking community members in Washtenaw County in early 2022 during the Omicron surge; and

NOW BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the Washtenaw County Board of Health hereby honors and expresses its most sincere appreciation to Maria Militzer and Mexiquenses en Michigan for their service and for their significant contributions to a strong, equitable COVID-19 response in Washtenaw County and congratulates them for receiving the 2022 Hometown Health Hero Award.

