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Ladies and Gentlemen:

Today I am returning to you Enrolled House Bill 4085 without signature. Enrolled House Bill 4085 mirrors the language of Enrolled Senate Bill 150 (which is tie barred to Enrolled House Bill 4082) and Enrolled Senate Bill 342 (which is tie barred to Enrolled Senate Bill 341). Any one of these bills would amend the Income Tax Act to allow an income-tax form donation to the ALS of Michigan ("Lou Gehrig's disease") fund, the Amber Alert Fund, and the Michigan Alzheimer's Association Fund.

It is important that this amendment to the Income Tax Act be enacted promptly, in order to be sure the State is ready and able to accept Michiganders donations in the next tax season. To that end, I have signed the legislation necessary to ensure that all three funds are created and that the new tax forms offer that donation opportunity.

It is my understanding that there was some concern that duplicate bills were necessary to properly carry out the intent of this bill package. This is not the case. Only one version of the amendment that is intended by Enrolled Senate Bill 150, Enrolled Senate Bill 342, and Enrolled House Bill 4085 needed to be presented to me; I have signed both Enrolled Senate Bills 150 and 342 only to ensure the tie-bars present in those bills did not inadvertently prevent execution of the bills' purpose. To avoid further confusion and unnecessary duplication, however, I am choosing to return to you Enrolled House Bill 4085 without my signature.

Sincerely,



Rick Snyder
Governor