# National Federation of the Blind of Michigan

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## From the President:

Good Afternoon, Friends! Who would have known a month could move so quickly? Here we are with another edition of “The Informant,” where important updates are shared.

## Announcements:

• The access technology affordability act (A. T. A. A.) has been

introduced into the 118th United States Congress. When advocating with your local chapter or division, please be sure to indicate support for bill S1467.

• The National Federation of the Blind of Michigan will be active and

present at the Visions Conference on June 7, 2023 in Ann Arbor.

Members from our affiliate will be there to inform attendees, educators, and rehabilitation professionals of our work. For more information on how you can join us, please email President@nfbmi.org.

• The deadline for resolution submissions for the national convention

is June 1, 2023. To submit a resolution or inquire, please contact Donald Porterfield at resolutions@nfb.org.

• The NFB of Michigan congratulates two national scholarship

finalists, Felecia Bradford, of our Flint- Genesee chapter, and Ellen Harper . Each year, we are excited that our affiliate produces finalists and thank all our applicants this year, inviting them to apply for our upcoming state scholarship program.

• The NFB of Michigan invites all members to take advantage of our

different state committees to get inspiration for different ideas.

Each chapter or division best performs if at least one of their members serves on a state committee. In the important dates section below, some upcoming committee meeting dates will be announced.

## Important Dates

• 05/23/23 Youth and Family Committee Meeting (7pm via Zoom)

• 05/30/23 NFB of Michigan Board of Directors Meeting (6pm via Zoom)

• 05/31/23 NFB Presidential Release (8pm via Zoom)

• 06/03/23 Communications Committee Meeting (8pm via Zoom)

• 06/07/23 Visions Conference (Ann Arbor, Michigan)

• 06/09/23 At Large Chapter Meeting (7pm via Zoom)

• 06/14/23 Membership Committee Meeting (8pm via Zoom)

As always, I am excited to hear your ideas at these upcoming events and meetings, inviting you all to come ready to share and build the Federation.