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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, There are over 350 specialized dentists known as 3 endodontists in Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Endodontists are dental specialists who are highly skilled in diagnosing and treating tooth pain and performing root canal treatment; along with two to three years of advanced training beyond dental school, endodontists have incredible precision and hand-eye coordination, making them highly skilled in performing complex treatments; they use the most specialized and advanced technology to treat tooth pain and perform root canal treatment; no one is better at saving your natural teeth; and

WHEREAS, Endodontists perform many other endodontic treatments and surgeries, address traumatic dental injuries, and place dental implants; their goal is to save a patient's natural teeth whenever possible; and

WHEREAS, Endodontists limit their practice solely to endodontic treatments, performing an average of 25 root canal treatments a week; specialized treatment gives patients the best outcome and leads to faster healing; for this reason, dentists and endodontists often work as partners in care so that the best member of the dental team is handling each

1 appropriate issue with a patient's teeth; and

WHEREAS, Poor oral hygiene can lead to other health problems; regular dental visits, flossing, brushing thoroughly at least twice a day, and refraining from foods and habits that can cause cavities are important steps for maintaining the overall health of one's gums, teeth, and mouth; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare May 2020 as Save Your Tooth Month, recognize the endodontists who are dedicated to saving patients' natural teeth by way of Root Canal Treatment, and encourage citizens of Illinois to practice good oral hygiene.