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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The silver ribbon is worn by advocates and
3 family members of the millions of Americans who suffer from
4 brain disorders and disabilities in order to promote public
5 awareness of the need for support and to fight the stigma and
6 misinformation surrounding these illnesses; and

7 WHEREAS, The postage stamps that the U.S. Postal Service
8 has issued recognizing the importance of public support for
9 persons with aids, breast cancer, and prostate cancer are an
10 invaluable instrument of public awareness and public
11 education; from the sale of each pink ribbon breast cancer
12 awareness stamp, eight cents is donated to a fund for
13 research; and

14 WHEREAS, Mr. Brian Kelly, a resident of unincorporated
15 Orland Park and a brain injury victim, is leading the
16 Illinois campaign to urge the U.S. Postal Service to issue a
17 first-class stamp that features a silver ribbon; the silver
18 ribbon stamp would help raise public awareness of the
19 millions of Americans who suffer with brain injuries and
20 disorders and part of the purchase price of the stamp would
21 be donated to help fund brain injury research that might
22 provide improved therapies some day; therefore, be it

23 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
24 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
25 we urge the members of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee
26 and the Postmaster General of the United States Postal
27 Service to issue a first-class postage stamp bearing the
28 silver ribbon symbol in order to increase awareness of the
29 millions of Americans suffering from brain injuries and
30 disabilities and to give purchasers the opportunity to
31 support research which can lead to improved treatment of
32 brain injuries and disabilities; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That we commend Mr. Brian Kelly for his work in
2 organizing the Silver Ribbon Campaign in the State of
3 Illinois and wish him the best in his efforts; and be it
4 further

5 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
6 presented to Dr. Virginia Noelke, Chair of the Citizens'
7 Stamp Advisory Committee; Mr. Ron Robinson, Chair of the
8 Subject Committee of the Citizens' Stamp Advisory Committee;
9 and the Honorable John "Jack" E. Potter, United States
10 Postmaster General; and be it further

11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
12 presented to Mr. Brian Kelly with our best wishes for success
13 in the efforts of his Silver Ribbon Campaign and as a token
14 of our respect and esteem.