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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Addressing the complex mental health needs of children, youth, and families today is fundamental to the future of the State of Illinois; and

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WHEREAS, The need for comprehensive, coordinated mental health services for children, youth, and families places upon our community a critical responsibility; and

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WHEREAS, It is appropriate that a day should be set apart each year for the direction of our thoughts toward our children's mental health and well-being; and

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WHEREAS, The State of Illinois, through its unique approach to serving children and adolescents, is effectively caring for the mental health needs of children, youth, and families across the State; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we proclaim May 8, 2007 to be National Children's Mental Health Awareness Day and urge our citizens and all agencies and organizations interested in meeting every child's mental health needs to unite on that day in the observance of such exercises as will acquaint the people of the State of Illinois with the fundamental necessity of a

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1 year-round program for children and youth with mental health
2 needs and their families.