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HOUSE RESOLUTION 803

2 WHEREAS, According to the National Highway Traffic Safety 3 Administration, the month of December is National Drunk and 4 Drugged Driving Prevention Month; and

5 WHEREAS, Approximately 3 in every 10 Americans will be 6 involved in an alcohol-related crash at some point in their 7 lives; and

8 WHEREAS, Everyday, 36 people in the U.S. die and 9 approximately 700 more are injured in motor vehicle crashes 10 that involve an alcohol-impaired driver; in total, one death 11 occurs every 45 minutes; and

12 WHEREAS, In 2008, 11,773 people were killed in 13 alcohol-impaired driving accidents, accounting for nearly 32% 14 of all traffic-related deaths in the U.S.; drugs other than 15 alcohol (marijuana or cocaine) were involved in about 18% of 16 motor vehicle accident deaths; and

WHEREAS, In 2008, there were 363 alcohol-related driving fatalities in Illinois, or 2.8 fatalities per 100,000 Illinois citizens; and

20 WHEREAS, In 2000, the costs associated with

HR0803 Enrolled -2- LRB096 16684 GRL 31968 r alcohol-related crashes in the U.S. were estimated at \$114.3 billion, including \$51.1 billion in monetary costs and an estimated \$63.2 billion in quality of life losses; and

WHEREAS, Legislation has proven effective in protecting people from alcohol and drug-related accidents; Illinois is one of many states leading the way in making roads safer through strict legislation targeted at those choosing to drive under the influence of alcohol or other drugs; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, ΒY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 10 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 11 designate the month of December as Illinois Drunk and Drugged Driving Prevention Month in the State of Illinois and encourage 12 the citizens of this State to remember those who have lost 13 14 their lives in alcohol and drug-related fatal accidents; and be 15 it further

16 RESOLVED, That we restate our commitment to ensuring that 17 Illinois roads are safe and free from drivers under the 18 influence of alcohol and drugs; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be 20 delivered to the Secretary of the Illinois Department of 21 Transportation, the Director of the Illinois State Police, the 22 President of Women in Government, and the Executive Director of HR0803 Enrolled -3- LRB096 16684 GRL 31968 r

1 the Illinois Mothers Against Drunk Driving organization.