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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
3 report that vaccinations are one of the best ways to put an end
4 to the serious effects of certain diseases; and

5 WHEREAS, From January 1, 2015 to January 30, 2015, 102
6 people from 14 states were reported to have measles; and

7 WHEREAS, On January 23, 2015, the Centers for Disease
8 Control and Prevention issued a Health Advisory to notify
9 public health departments and healthcare facilities about this
10 multi-state outbreak and to provide guidance for healthcare
11 providers nationwide; and

12 WHEREAS, The United States experienced a record number of
13 measles cases during 2014, with 644 cases from 27 states
14 reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's
15 National Center for Immunization and Respiratory Diseases;
16 this is the greatest number of cases since measles elimination
17 was documented in the United States in 2000; and

18 WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's
19 Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices reports that
20 adolescents between 13 and 17 years of age routinely receive
21 meningococcal conjugate, tetanus, diphtheria, and acellular

1 pertussis vaccines; and

2 WHEREAS, Immunizing children and adolescents helps protect
3 the health of our communities throughout the State of Illinois
4 by slowing down or stopping disease outbreaks; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
6 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
7 encourage the continued use of vaccines for children,
8 adolescents, and adults to ensure the safety and health of the
9 citizens of this State.