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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), one in seven women have trouble getting pregnant or sustaining a pregnancy; and

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WHEREAS, The World Health Organization (WHO) and the American Medical Association (AMA) define infertility as a disease; and

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WHEREAS, Infertility affects women and men equally and does not discriminate based on race, religion, sexual orientation, marital status, or socioeconomic level; and

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WHEREAS, The LGBTQ community also faces challenges when building their families; and

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WHEREAS, Some people become infertile due to a medical treatment for another condition, most commonly chemotherapy or radiation for cancer; and

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WHEREAS, Family building options include adoption and medical treatment such as in vitro fertilization (IVF) and third-party reproduction; and

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WHEREAS, Cost and lack of insurance coverage are barriers

1 for many in our State who wish to access the family building
2 options they need; and

3 WHEREAS, Raising awareness of infertility and the barriers
4 faced by the family building community is the first step to
5 removing these barriers; and

6 WHEREAS, It is imperative to support the volunteers,
7 health care professionals, and members of the infertility and
8 family building community; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
10 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
11 we declare the week of April 20 through April 26, 2025 as
12 Infertility Awareness Week in Illinois to help increase public
13 awareness of the need to support individuals with infertility.