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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The pervasive damage caused by pornography is 3 beyond the scope of any one individual to address; and

WHEREAS, Any efforts to prevent pornography exposure and addiction, educate individuals and families concerning its harms, and develop recovery programs must be addressed systemically in ways that hold broader influences accountable in order to counter the sexually toxic environment it perpetuates; and

10 WHEREAS, Pornography is more widespread and accessible 11 than at any other time in American history; and

12 WHEREAS, The most vulnerable members of society, our 13 children, are often exposed to pornographic material; and

14 WHEREAS, Pornography treats women as objects and 15 commodities for the viewer's use, teaching girls that they are 16 objects to be used and teaching boys that this is acceptable 17 behavior; and

18 WHEREAS, Pornography normalizes violence and abuse of 19 women and children and treats them as objects; and HR0727 -2- LRB100 16407 MST 31535 r
1 WHEREAS, Pornography equates torment and violence against
2 women and children with pleasure, increasing the demand for sex
3 trafficking, prostitution, child sexual abuse images, and
4 child pornography; therefore, be it

5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 6 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 7 recognize that pornography harms the State and its citizens; 8 and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That we recognize the need for education, 10 prevention, research, and policy change at the community and 11 societal level in order to address the epidemic that is harming 12 the citizens of Illinois and the country as a whole.