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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention report that one in three women and one in four men will experience some form of physical violence by an intimate partner in their lifetime; and

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WHEREAS, Domestic abuse is a repetitive pattern of behaviors to maintain power and control over an intimate partner; and

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WHEREAS, More than three million children witness domestic violence in their homes each year; and

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WHEREAS, An estimated one-half of women in abusive relationships in the United States are physically injured by their partner; and

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WHEREAS, Domestic violence costs more than \$37 billion a year in law enforcement involvement, legal assistance, medical and mental health treatment, and lost employee productivity; and

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WHEREAS, Organizations such as the National Domestic Violence Hotline and the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence have worked to educate, counsel, and help communities

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1 affected by domestic violence; and

2 WHEREAS, Domestic Violence Awareness Month evolved from  
3 the "Day of Unity" held in October of 1981, and was conceived  
4 by the National Coalition Against Domestic Violence; and

5 WHEREAS, Since 1989, October has been designated as  
6 National Domestic Violence Month; and

7 WHEREAS, With violence increasing in our schools, on our  
8 streets, and in our homes, ending it should be a top priority  
9 for everyone; therefore, be it

10 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
11 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
12 recognize National Domestic Violence Awareness Month in  
13 October of 2018 and support and commend the efforts of those  
14 people and organizations who work tirelessly to help victims  
15 break free of the devastating effects of domestic abuse and  
16 work to ameliorate this scourge on society, thereby creating  
17 safer communities for all.