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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Global climate change is a result of human behavior; the effects of global climate change can be minimized by adopting sustainable practices, such as recycling; and

WHEREAS, The United States makes up 4% of the global population, yet, as a nation, we generate more than 30% of the planet's waste; 65% of products in the U.S. end up in a landfill or become incinerated; many of these products can be reused or recycled; and

WHEREAS, The Illinois Public Interest Research Group Education Fund has reported that Illinois falls behind other states in regard to recycling; Illinois generates an estimated 19% more waste per capita than the average state in the U.S.; the City of Chicago has the lowest recycling rate, at only 9% of all waste being recycled; and

WHEREAS, November 15 of each year is America Recycles Day, which is a perfect opportunity to encourage recycling and other green initiatives on a statewide and national level; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 21 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that HR0425

- 1 we declare November 15, 2019 as "Go Green Day" in the State of
- 2 Illinois to raise awareness for recycling in the State of
- 3 Illinois and encourage residents to learn about the importance
- 4 of recycling and other green initiatives.