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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Sexuality Information and Education Council  
3 of the United States reports that Illinois teens experience  
4 higher percentages of forced sexual intercourse, dating  
5 violence, and physical or sexual violence compared to the  
6 national average; and

7 WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
8 (CDC) reports 1 in 3 women and 1 in 4 men have experienced  
9 sexual violence involving sexual contact; and

10 WHEREAS, 1 in 9 females and 1 in 36 male high school  
11 students reported experiencing sexual dating violence in the  
12 last year; and

13 WHEREAS, Members of the LGBTQ+ community face greater  
14 rates of sexual violence compared to heterosexual individuals;  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, Approximately half of transgender people are  
17 sexually assaulted in their lifetime; and

18 WHEREAS, Approximately 1.8 million cases of chlamydia and  
19 over 500,000 cases of gonorrhea were reported to the CDC in  
20 2018; and

1           WHEREAS, In 2017, Illinois ranked 10th for the rate of  
2           chlamydia and syphilis cases and was ranked 17th for the rate  
3           of gonorrhea cases; and

4           WHEREAS, Sexually transmitted diseases cost the U.S.  
5           healthcare system \$16 billion annually; and

6           WHEREAS, Comprehensive sex education means that the sex  
7           education curriculum fully meets the seven topics of the  
8           National Sexuality Education Standards, which include Anatomy  
9           and Physiology, Puberty and Adolescent Development, Identity,  
10          Pregnancy and Reproduction, Sexually Transmitted Disease and  
11          HIV, Healthy Relationships including consent education, and  
12          Personal Safety; and

13          WHEREAS, Comprehensive sex education has been proven to  
14          reduce teen pregnancy and STD rates as well as to increase  
15          contraceptive use and help young people have healthy  
16          relationships; and

17          WHEREAS, The CDC found a 12% reduction in sexual  
18          risk-taking among students who had comprehensive sex  
19          education; therefore, be it

20          RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE

1 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
2 we recognize every student has the right to comprehensive sex  
3 education, and we support organizations and schools that are  
4 providing comprehensive sex education; and be it further

5       RESOLVED, That comprehensive sex education is necessary to  
6 aid in the reduction of the high rates of sexual violence and  
7 sexually transmitted diseases.