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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives wish to recognize Streator Unlimited, Inc. for
4 the company's work with Illinois State University's School of
5 Information Technology to develop a video game/phone app to
6 assist people with epilepsy; and

7 WHEREAS, Streator Unlimited, Inc. began in 1965, and the
8 nonprofit organization has a budget of \$3 million and 61
9 employees, making it one of the larger employers in Streator;
10 and

11 WHEREAS, Streator Unlimited, Inc.'s mission is a
12 commitment to enriching the lives of adults with disabilities
13 by teaching skills that will enable them to reach their
14 fullest potential, live as independently as possible, and
15 become integrated into the community; and

16 WHEREAS, Streator Unlimited, Inc. practices its mission in
17 a number of ways, including possessing five group homes to
18 provide 32 adults with developmental disabilities with 24-hour
19 support, providing paid work opportunities to adults with
20 disabilities at its sheltered workshop, running an 8-unit
21 apartment building for low-income adults with disabilities,
22 assisting people with a great variety of disabilities find

1 jobs in the community, and providing 70 adults with
2 disabilities with day and vocational training with classes
3 such as nutrition, digital photography, men's and women's
4 clubs, sports, job skills, arts and crafts, basic academics,
5 utilization of computers, and community outings; and

6 WHEREAS, From late 2019 through 2020, Streator Unlimited,
7 Inc. collaborated with students from Illinois State
8 University's School of Information Technology to develop a
9 video game for people with epilepsy, as typical video games
10 possess stimulation and rapid motion that can trigger
11 seizures; the concept of this new video game was to create an
12 video game experience for people who couldn't use typical
13 video games and to offer a video game designed to reinforce
14 positive self-care habits, including taking medication and
15 making smart eating choices; and

16 WHEREAS, Streator Unlimited, Inc.'s game, which can be
17 found at www.streatorunlimited.org/epilepsy, can offer
18 services to a projected 28,000 children and adults with
19 epilepsy in Central and Northwest Illinois through grants from
20 the Illinois Department of Human Services; and

21 WHEREAS, Streator Unlimited, Inc.'s collaboration with the
22 ISU School of Information Technology is an outstanding example
23 of the organization's commitment of service to the people of

1 Illinois; therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
3 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
4 we recognize Streator Unlimited, Inc. for its collaborative
5 work with Illinois State University's School of Information
6 Technology, and we thank the organization for its continued
7 commitment to serving people with disabilities; and be it
8 further

9 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
10 presented to Game Development Special Interest Group Student
11 President Chance Cook, Game Programmer Michael Reyes, Artist
12 Anthony Wilczynski, Artist and U.I. Designer Lizzy Parvin,
13 Music and Foley Artist Jacob Tolonen, Music Artist Nate
14 Phillips, ISU School of Information Technology Academic
15 Services Coordinator Tal Parmenter, ISU School of Information
16 Technology Chairperson Dr. Traci Carte, Streator Unlimited,
17 Inc. Illinois Epilepsy Support and Resources Coordinator
18 Stephanie Harcharik, and Streator Unlimited, Inc. Executive
19 Director John Mallaney as an expression of our esteem and
20 respect.