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1 SENATE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, The Education Amendments of 1972, containing 2 3 Title IX, was signed into law by President Richard Nixon 51 4 years ago on June 23, 1972; and 5 WHEREAS, After the passage of Title IX, Congress built in 6 a six-year period for secondary and post-secondary schools to 7 achieve compliance; and 8 WHEREAS, The National Collegiate Athletic Association 9 (NCAA) introduced women's championships for intercollegiate 10 sports 50 years ago; and 11 WHEREAS, Title IX prohibits discrimination on the basis of 12 sex in the administration of any education program receiving 13 Federal financial assistance; and WHEREAS, Remarkable gains have been made to ensure equal 14 15 opportunity for women and girls under the inspiration and mandate of Title IX; and 16 17 WHEREAS, Title IX serves as the nondiscrimination principle in education; and 18

WHEREAS, Title IX has moved this nation closer to the

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fulfillment of access and opportunities for women and girls in

2 all aspects of life; and

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- 3 WHEREAS, Title IX has increased educational opportunities
- for women and girls, resulting in improved graduation rates,
- 5 increased access to professional schools and nontraditional
- 6 fields of study, and improved employment opportunities; and
- 7 WHEREAS, Title IX has increased opportunities for women
- 8 and girls in sports, leading to greater access to competitive
- 9 sports, and has helped build strong values, such as teamwork,
- 10 leadership, discipline, work ethic, self-sacrifice, pride in
- 11 accomplishment, and strength of character; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Title IX has been instrumental in fostering 51
- 13 years of progress toward equality between men and women in
- 14 educational institutions and the workplace, and with further
- 15 progress still needed, Title IX will remain instrumental in
- 16 achieving that goal; therefore, be it
- 17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
- 18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize the
- 19 accomplishments of Title IX of the Education Amendments of
- 20 1972, also known as the Patsy Takemoto Mink Equal Opportunity
- 21 in Education Act, in increasing opportunities for women and
- 22 girls in all facets of education; and be it further

- 1 RESOLVED, That we recognize the magnificent
- 2 accomplishments of women and girls in sports, as well as the
- 3 need to continue pursuing the goal of Title IX.