

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Give Kids A Smile is a national campaign,  
3 sponsored by the American Dental Association, to deliver free  
4 oral health education, screening, and treatment services to  
5 children who would not otherwise receive dental care; and

6 WHEREAS, On Give Kids A Smile Day, Friday, February 21,  
7 2003, hundreds of thousands of children at more than 4,000  
8 sites across the country will receive free education,  
9 screening, and treatment services; and

10 WHEREAS, Dentists, dental hygienists, dental assistants,  
11 lay volunteers, dental societies, and dental school students  
12 and faculties will be working together on that day to help  
13 children from low-income families who otherwise would not  
14 receive dental care; and

15 WHEREAS, While helping children is incredibly important  
16 to Give Kids A Smile Day, it is equally important to note the  
17 extent of untreated dental disease among too many of the  
18 nation's children and foster meaningful progress toward  
19 long-term solutions to dental access problems; therefore, be  
20 it

21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
22 NINETY-THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
23 we recognize the importance of dental treatment to low-income  
24 children and support the efforts of the American Dental  
25 Association's Give Kids A Smile Campaign; and be it further

26 RESOLVED, That we name Friday, February 21, 2003 as Give  
27 Kids A Smile Day in the State of Illinois; and be it further

28 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
29 presented to the American Dental Association with our best  
30 wishes for the success of the Give Kids A Smile Day in 2003.