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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, On July 26, 1990, the Americans with Disabilities
3 Act was signed into law; and

4 WHEREAS, Nearly one in five people have a disability in the
5 United States; and

6 WHEREAS, Disabilities can be considerably varied; they can
7 be physical, cognitive, intellectual, mental, sensory, or
8 developmental; they can be present at birth or occur during a
9 person's lifetime; they can also be permanent or temporary; and

10 WHEREAS, An intellectual disability may mean difficulty
11 communicating, learning, and retaining information; they
12 include Down syndrome, Fragile X syndrome, Prader-Willi
13 syndrome, and developmental delays; and

14 WHEREAS, A physical disability may affect, either
15 temporarily or permanently, a person's physical capacity and
16 mobility; they include multiple sclerosis, cerebral palsy,
17 spina bifida, brain or spinal cord injury, epilepsy, and
18 muscular dystrophy; and

19 WHEREAS, Sensory disabilities affect one or more senses;
20 sight, hearing, smell, touch, taste, or spatial awareness; they

1 include autism, blindness, and hearing loss; and

2 WHEREAS, A mental illness affects a person's thinking,
3 emotional state and behaviors; they include bipolar disorder,
4 depression, schizophrenia, and eating disorders; therefore, be
5 it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
7 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
8 declare October of 2017 as Disability Awareness Month in the
9 State of Illinois in order to bring attention to the conditions
10 from which so many Americans suffer, and we recognize the work
11 being done by disability advocates; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
13 presented to the Illinois Disability Association.