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## SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The State of Illinois recognizes the need for the cleanliness of Illinois waterways for public safety, public recreation, economic benefit, and historical character, whether a large or small body of water, whether rural, urban, or suburban in location; and

WHEREAS, The third Saturday of September is established globally as "International Coastal Cleanup Day", coordinated by the Ocean Conservancy and promoted by various like-minded Illinois partner organizations; and

WHEREAS, The coalition of Illinois Global Scholar stakeholders acts for the benefit of Illinois students and works to promote Public Act 099-0780; it partners with organizations to ensure the protection, restoration, and health of Illinois waterways; and

WHEREAS, Service learning promotes effective student growth opportunities; a statewide coordinated day of action facilitates active citizen engagement, and offers a particular opportunity for active student engagement in effective environmental improvement through trash collection, data collection, and data analysis; and

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1 WHEREAS, To coordinate with the International Coastal 2 Cleanup Day effort, partner organizations and schools across 3 Illinois will facilitate the opportunity for Illinois student 4 participant groups to partner with other student participant groups in different countries, providing Illinois students 5 6 with the opportunity to communicate and collaborate globally, discussing and sharing their efforts and findings; therefore, 7 8 be it

RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING HEREIN, that we declare September 9-15, 2018 as "Illinois Waterway Cleanup Week" in the State of Illinois.