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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, The Illinois Endangered Species Act makes it unlawful for any person to possess or transport any animal species which occurs on the Illinois Endangered and Threatened Species List; and
- WHEREAS, Under the Illinois Wildlife Code, it is illegal to
 possess, transport, or care for sick, injured, or orphaned
 wildlife in Illinois unless you have a permit from the
 Department of Natural Resources; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Members of the public sometimes find sick,
 11 injured, or orphaned animals in the wild; and
- 12 WHEREAS, The public is not always aware of the laws 13 prohibiting possession or transport of protected animals; 14 therefore, be it
- 15 RESOLVED, ΒY THEHOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ΟF THE 16 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we 17 show our support for a robust Department of Natural Resources 18 public education campaign that informs the public about the exact steps to take if a sick, injured, or orphaned animal is 19 20 encountered in the wild; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That we support the Department of Natural
2 Resources increasing public education outreach in the spring
3 months when many baby animals are mistaken as orphaned and
4 should be left as they were found; and be it further

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RESOLVED, That we support the Department of Natural Resources entering into public-private partnerships for the purpose of developing and sharing educational materials such as posters, videos, programs, advertisements, and public service announcements; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we support public-private collaboration in the dissemination of said educational materials to places such as schools, public and private newsletters, public and private websites, and television and radio stations.