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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Food allergies affect nearly 15 million people in
3 the United States, including one in 13 children; and

4 WHEREAS, Research shows that food allergies are increasing
5 in the United States, particularly among children; and

6 WHEREAS, Shellfish, fish, milk, eggs, tree nuts, peanuts,
7 soy, and wheat are the eight foods that cause the majority of
8 food allergies; and

9 WHEREAS, Common symptoms of food allergies include hives,
10 vomiting, diarrhea, respiratory distress, and swelling of the
11 throat; and

12 WHEREAS, More than 200,000 emergency room visits are caused
13 by food allergies each year; and

14 WHEREAS, Scientists are still looking for a cure for food
15 allergies; and

16 WHEREAS, Every person with a food allergy must strictly
17 avoid the food they are allergic to, which can best be done
18 with the support and awareness of people around them;
19 therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
2 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
3 declare May 14 through May 20, 2017 as Food Allergy Awareness
4 Week in the State of Illinois to help raise awareness and
5 understanding of food allergies.