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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Peroxisome Biogenesis Disorder - Zellweger Spectrum Disorder (PBD-ZSD or simply PBD) is a rare genetic disorder that affects 1 in 50,000 births within the United States of America; and

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WHEREAS, PBD causes life threatening symptoms for most infants and children who have the disease; and

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WHEREAS, PBD results in poor muscle tone, hearing loss, vision loss, low bone density, seizures, liver and kidney dysfunction, and developmental delays; and

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WHEREAS, PBD causes a mutation in any of the 13 genes termed PEX genes; and

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WHEREAS, Max Chapman, born October 17, 2013, a resident of Bloomington, was diagnosed with PBD at the age of 14 months; with his loving heart, his cheerful disposition, and boundless personality, Max has inspired countless family and friends in Central Illinois to spread awareness of this devastating disorder; and

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WHEREAS, Max's parents, Corin and Todd Chapman, and his grandparents, Alan and Cathie Chapman and Greg and Patty Garbe,

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1 create awareness for PBD by sharing Max and his story  
2 unselfishly through blogging, social media, video, and  
3 fundraising events; and

4 WHEREAS, May 18 and 19, 2018 is the third annual Tee it Up!  
5 For the GFPD golf outing at Illinois State University's  
6 Weibring Golf Club to honor Max and raise funds for The Global  
7 Foundation for Peroxisomal Disorders (GFPD) in support of their  
8 mission to advocate for awareness of PBD and support new  
9 avenues for medical research in the development of treatments  
10 and cures; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
12 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
13 urge awareness of peroxisomal disorders and encourage support  
14 for medical research in the development of new treatments and  
15 cures; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
17 presented to The Global Foundation for Peroxisomal Disorders,  
18 Max Chapman, Max's parents, and Max's grandparents.