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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Parkinson's disease is a progressive nervous  
3 system disorder that affects movement; symptoms start  
4 gradually, sometimes starting with a barely noticeable tremor  
5 in just one hand; additional symptoms may include slowed  
6 movement, rigid muscles, impaired posture and balance, loss of  
7 automatic movements, speech changes, and writing changes; and

8 WHEREAS, The signs and symptoms of Parkinson's disease can  
9 be different for everyone; early signs may be mild and go  
10 unnoticed; and

11 WHEREAS, The cause of Parkinson's disease is unknown, and  
12 therefore, proven ways to prevent the disease also remain a  
13 mystery; and

14 WHEREAS, Approximately 60,000 Americans are diagnosed with  
15 Parkinson's disease each year, and an estimated 7 to 10 million  
16 people are living with the disease worldwide; and

17 WHEREAS, Although Parkinson's disease cannot be cured,  
18 medications might significantly improve one's symptoms; early  
19 detection is key; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE

1 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
2 we declare April 2020 as "Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month"  
3 in the State of Illinois to bring attention to those battling  
4 Parkinson's and to the importance of early detection and  
5 treatments.