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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of  
3 Representatives are saddened to hear of the loss of  
4 18-month-old, Colton Michael Miller, who passed away on  
5 September 21, 2019 from injuries sustained from an act of  
6 domestic violence; and

7 WHEREAS, Colton, the loving son of Cassandra  
8 Tanner-Miller, the precious grandson of John and Elizabeth  
9 Tanner, and the dearest brother of Camryn, is fondly remembered  
10 for his love of monster trucks, football, dinosaurs, dragons,  
11 and cars; and

12 WHEREAS, Organizations such as the National Domestic  
13 Violence Hotline and the National Coalition Against Domestic  
14 Violence have worked to educate and counsel families affected  
15 by domestic violence; yet, domestic violence continues to  
16 invade households throughout the United States; and

17 WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
18 reports that one in three women and one in four men will  
19 experience some form of intimate partner violence; and

20 WHEREAS, Over three million children a year witness  
21 domestic violence in their homes; and

1           WHEREAS, 15.5 million U.S. children are estimated to live  
2           in families in which partner violence occurred at least once in  
3           the past year; an estimated seven million children live in  
4           families in which severe partner violence occurred; and

5           WHEREAS, An estimated one-half of abusive relationships in  
6           the United States result in injuries to a woman; and

7           WHEREAS, In Colton's memory, his mother, Cassandra  
8           Tanner-Miller, has repeatedly called for preventative  
9           legislative action pertaining to domestic violence; and

10           WHEREAS, Preventing domestic violence should be an agreed  
11           upon, bipartisan, priority within Illinois; therefore, be it

12           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
13           HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
14           we mourn the passing of 18-month-old Colton Michael Miller and  
15           honor his life with an urgent call to present and pass  
16           legislation regarding domestic violence and the enhancement of  
17           the functionality of domestic orders of protection in Illinois;  
18           and be it further

19           RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
20           presented to Colton's family as an expression of our deepest

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