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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Sexuality Information and Education Council 3 of the United States reports that Illinois teens experience 4 higher percentages of forced sexual intercourse, dating 5 violence, and physical or sexual violence compared to the 6 national average; and

7 WHEREAS, The Center for Disease Control reports 1 in 3 8 women and 1 in 4 men have experienced sexual violence involving 9 sexual contact; and

10 WHEREAS, 1 in 9 females and 1 in 36 male high school 11 students reported experiencing sexual dating violence in the 12 last year; and

13 WHEREAS, Members of the LGBTQ+ community face greater rates
 14 of sexual violence compared to heterosexual individuals; and

15 WHEREAS, Around half of transgender people are sexually 16 assaulted in their lifetime; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 1.8 million cases of Chlamydia and over 500,000 cases of Gonorrhea were reported to the CDC in 2018; and HR0660 -2- LRB101 17254 ECR 66658 r
1 WHEREAS, In 2017, Illinois ranked 10th for the rate of
2 Chlamydia and Syphilis cases and was ranked 17th for the rate
3 of Gonorrhea cases; and

WHEREAS, Sexually transmitted diseases cost the U.S.
healthcare system \$16 billion annually; and

6 WHEREAS, Comprehensive sex education means that the sex 7 education curriculum fully meets the seven topics of the 8 National Sexuality Education Standards: Anatomy and 9 Physiology, Puberty and Adolescent Development, Identity, 10 Pregnancy and Reproduction, Sexually Transmitted Disease and 11 HIV, Healthy Relationships (which includes consent education), and Personal Safety; and 12

13 WHEREAS, Comprehensive sex education has been proven to 14 reduce teen pregnancy and STD rates as well as to increase 15 contraceptive use and help young people have healthy 16 relationships; and

WHEREAS, the CDC found a 12% reduction in sexual risk-taking among students who had comprehensive sex education; therefore, be it

RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that

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we recognize every student has the right to comprehensive sex
education, and we support organizations and schools that are
providing comprehensive sex education; and be it further

RESOLVED, That comprehensive sex education is necessary to
aid in the reduction of the high rates of sexual violence and
STDs.