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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, A brain aneurysm is a weak, bulging area in an artery in the brain, much like a thin balloon or a weak spot on the inner tube of a tire; and

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WHEREAS, There are almost 500,000 deaths worldwide each year caused by brain aneurysms with half the victims being younger than 50; Of those who survive, approximately 66 percent suffer some permanent neurological deficit; and

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WHEREAS, In the United States, one in every 50 people has an unruptured brain aneurysm; every year, 30,000 Americans suffer a brain aneurysm rupture, which equate to one every 18 minutes; ruptured aneurysms are fatal in approximately 50% of the cases; and

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WHEREAS, Risk factors for developing brain aneurysms include cigarette use, chronic hypertension, and a history of cerebral aneurysms in closely related family members; women are at a greater risk than men at a ratio of three to two, and African Americans and Hispanics are twice as likely to have a brain aneurysm rupture; and

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WHEREAS, Through innovative screening techniques, individuals at high risk of harboring a brain aneurysm can be

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1 identified easily with non-invasive imaging tests; and

2 WHEREAS, Brain aneurysms are treatable and beatable if
3 people know the facts; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
5 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
6 we declare September 2021 as Brain Aneurysm Awareness Month in
7 the State of Illinois; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That we recognize the importance of improving
9 public awareness regarding brain aneurysms to educate our
10 citizens and save lives.