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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, February 19 marks the National Caregivers Day holiday for 2021; created in 2015, this holiday serves to recognize caregivers across the country whose compassionate care enables millions of Americans who are aging or who have a disability to remain as independent as possible in their own homes; and

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WHEREAS, Professional caregivers, who number nearly 4.6 million in the United States, and family caregivers, who are estimated at 44 million, are lifelines to millions of Americans who need assistance with medical, personal, and end of life care; and

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WHEREAS, Caregiving has been proclaimed the ultimate form of love and respect, and as a country, we should support and demonstrate our gratitude for caregivers and their role in fulfilling an individual's desire to remain at home; and

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WHEREAS, The home care industry is among the fastest growing healthcare industries in the United States, and the Home Care Association Illinois Chapter continuously advocates on behalf of our frontline caregivers who have been essential in the fight against COVID-19; and

1 WHEREAS, Caregivers have faced the challenge of COVID-19
2 by not only caring for their clients but also risking their own
3 personal health and safety while doing so; and

4 WHEREAS, Home care workers allow families to stay together
5 at home safely and with dignity as they age; therefore, be it

6 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
7 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
8 we declare February 19, 2021 as Illinois Caregiver Day; and be
9 it further

10 RESOLVED, That we express our gratitude to Illinois
11 caregivers for their unwavering commitment to the care of
12 their clients and families, especially during the COVID-19
13 pandemic; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
15 delivered to the Governor of Illinois and the Director of the
16 Illinois Department of Public Health.