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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, In order to bring more inclusivity to the state,  
3 Illinois must discuss the importance of disability awareness;  
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5 WHEREAS, Disability awareness means educating people  
6 regarding disabilities and giving people the knowledge  
7 required to carry out a job or task, thus separating good  
8 practice from poor; and

9 WHEREAS, Many kids with disabilities are being integrated  
10 into the mainstream of the public school system so age  
11 appropriate education and refreshers are becoming even more  
12 important to teach our children; and

13 WHEREAS, In order to achieve a successful integration, it  
14 is important to implement disability awareness for all  
15 children across the state; and

16 WHEREAS, One of the biggest barriers people with  
17 disabilities encounter on a daily basis is other people; and

18 WHEREAS, Between 2009 and 2015, individuals with  
19 disabilities were more than twice as likely to be victims of  
20 violent victimization compared to people without disabilities;

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2 WHEREAS, In one study, only 39 percent of respondents with  
3 disabilities reported that they had disclosed their disability  
4 to a manager, and an even fewer 24 percent had told other  
5 colleagues for fear of teasing, harassment, and potential  
6 changes in coworker relationships; and

7 WHEREAS, A research team reviewed information from the  
8 U.S. 2012 elections and found that almost a third of voters  
9 with disabilities experienced some kind of difficulty in the  
10 voting process; this differed greatly from those without  
11 disabilities; and

12 WHEREAS, The only way to stop these violent crimes and  
13 open discrimination against those with disabilities is to  
14 bring awareness to the issue and help educate people about the  
15 issues facing those with a disability; therefore, be it

16 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
17 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
18 we acknowledge the hardships faced by those with a disability  
19 and the need to increase education and awareness of these  
20 issues for people throughout the State of Illinois; and be it  
21 further

1           RESOLVED, That we encourage all citizens to educate  
2 themselves on the issues surrounding disabilities and to treat  
3 those with disabilities with love and respect.