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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Over 100 million operations and procedures are performed every year with anesthesia, and physician anesthesiologists play a critical role, before, during, and after procedures, making patient safety their top priority; and

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WHEREAS, Anesthesia is safer than ever before, but there always is a potential for complications and side effects; physician anesthesiologists have the training and expertise to help minimize risks, monitor for any problems, and take quick action; and

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WHEREAS, When seconds count and when emergencies or complications occur unexpectedly, physician anesthesiologists draw on their extensive medical education and years of clinical training and experience to make critical decisions that save lives; and

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WHEREAS, Physician anesthesiologists are committed to providing high quality and safe patient care and to educating patients to make their anesthesia even safer, to reduce risk of complication, and to improve recovery from surgery; and

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WHEREAS, Physician anesthesiologists are recognized

1 leaders uniquely suited to prevent opioid abuse and misuse by
2 employing opioid-minimizing techniques while ensuring patients
3 have access to appropriate pain treatments; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
5 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
6 we declare January 29 through February 4, 2023 as Physician
7 Anesthesiologists Week in the State of Illinois, and we ask
8 all citizens to join us in recognizing physician
9 anesthesiologists, who have developed the techniques and
10 protocols that have greatly improved the safety of
11 anesthesiology and the well-being of surgical patients each
12 day; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
14 presented to the Illinois Society of Anesthesiologists as a
15 symbol of our respect and esteem.