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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, There are thousands of therapy animal teams  
3 serving in communities across the United States; and

4 WHEREAS, Therapy animal teams play an essential role in  
5 improving human health and well-being through the human-animal  
6 bond; and

7 WHEREAS, Therapy animal teams make millions of visits per  
8 year in such settings as hospitals, nursing homes, schools,  
9 and hospice; and

10 WHEREAS, Therapy animal teams interact with a variety of  
11 people in our communities, including veterans, seniors,  
12 patients, students facing literacy challenges, and those  
13 approaching end of life; and

14 WHEREAS, These exceptional therapy animals who partner  
15 with their human companions bring comfort and healing to those  
16 in need; therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
18 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
19 we declare April 30, 2023 as Therapy Animal Day in the State of  
20 Illinois; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That we encourage Illinoisans to celebrate  
2 therapy animals and their human handlers, and we salute the  
3 service of therapy animal teams in our communities across  
4 Illinois and the nation.