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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, Many people living with serious mental illnesses,  
3 including bipolar disorder, major depressive disorder,  
4 schizophrenia, and schizoaffective disorder or  
5 gastrointestinal disorders such as gastroparesis, upset  
6 stomach, nausea, and vomiting, may be treated with medications  
7 that work as dopamine receptor blocking agents, including  
8 antipsychotics and antiemetics; and

9           WHEREAS, While ongoing treatment with these medications  
10 can be necessary, prolonged use is associated with tardive  
11 dyskinesia (TD), an involuntary movement disorder that is  
12 characterized by uncontrollable, abnormal, and repetitive  
13 movements of the face, torso, limbs, and fingers or toes; and

14           WHEREAS, Even mild symptoms of TD can impact people  
15 physically, socially, and emotionally; and

16           WHEREAS, It is estimated that TD affects approximately  
17 600,000 people in the United States, and approximately 65  
18 percent of people with TD have not been diagnosed, making it  
19 important to raise awareness about the symptoms; and

20           WHEREAS, It is important that people taking these  
21 medications be monitored for TD by a healthcare provider;

1 regular screening for TD is recommended by the American  
2 Psychiatric Association; and

3 WHEREAS, Clinical research has led to approval of  
4 treatments for adults with TD by the U.S. Food and Drug  
5 Administration, and recognition and treatment of TD can make a  
6 positive impact in the lives of many people experiencing  
7 psychotic and mood disorders; and

8 WHEREAS, The Illinois House of Representatives can utilize  
9 its position to raise awareness of TD among the public and  
10 medical community; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
12 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
13 we declare May 5-11, 2024 as "Tardive Dyskinesia Awareness  
14 Week" in the State of Illinois; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That we encourage anyone experiencing  
16 uncontrollable, abnormal, and repetitive movements to consult  
17 their healthcare provider regarding their symptoms.