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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The dedication and leadership exhibited by Elizabeth Austin, Colleen Kahl, and the Pekin Community High School's Student Council Executive Board in championing the initiative to designate a state color for Illinois is commendable; and

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WHEREAS, Their proactive engagement with local legislators and advocacy efforts reflect a deep commitment to civic participation and youth empowerment; and

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WHEREAS, The establishment of a state color for Illinois will serve to foster a sense of pride and unity among its residents, celebrating the rich cultural heritage and diversity of the state; and

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WHEREAS, The involvement of students from across Illinois in the decision-making process is paramount to ensuring representation and inclusivity in selecting a symbol that resonates with the collective identity of the state; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we commend Elizabeth Austin, Collen Kahl, and the members of

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1 the Pekin Community High School's Student Council Executive
2 Board for their exemplary leadership and advocacy in advancing
3 the proposal to establish a state color for Illinois; and be it
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5 RESOLVED, That we encourage the Illinois State Board of
6 Education's Student Advisory Council to consider researching
7 the state's symbols to provide recommendations on a state
8 color as part of its 2024/2025 project agenda; and be it
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10 RESOLVED, That we underscore the importance of ensuring an
11 inclusive and participatory decision-making process by urging
12 the Illinois State Board of Education's Student Advisory
13 Council to actively engage students from diverse backgrounds
14 and regions of the state when developing a recommendation for
15 a state color; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That we emphasize the necessity of transparency
17 and urge the Illinois State Board of Education's Student
18 Advisory Council to seek public input from Illinoisans at
19 every stage; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That we commit to considering the Illinois State
21 Board of Education's Student Advisory Council's recommendation
22 for a state color and pledge to further collaborate with

1 relevant stakeholders to establish it and later promote its
2 recognition and significance across Illinois; and be it
3 further

4 RESOLVED, That we encourage the Illinois State Board of
5 Education's Student Advisory Council to update the Illinois
6 State Legislature on the development of a recommendation for a
7 state color, including insights gained from student engagement
8 activities and any lessons they learned as part of the
9 process; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
11 delivered to the Illinois State Board of Education Student
12 Advisory Council.