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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, The House of Representatives recognizes that
methamphetamine is fundamentally different from other drugs
regulated by the Illinois Controlled Substances Act because the
harms relating to methamphetamine stem not only from the
distribution and use of the drug, but also from the manufacture
of the drug in this State; and

WHEREAS, Methamphetamine is not only distributed and used but also manufactured in Illinois; the manufacture of methamphetamine is extremely and uniquely harmful, and the exposure to the manufacturing of methamphetamine has resulted in deaths or serious disabilities to many persons exposed to the manufacturing process; and

WHEREAS, The manufacture and use of methamphetamine is a problem that effects the entire State, especially in rural areas and in small towns; and

WHEREAS, A statewide awareness campaign alerting the public to the dangers of methamphetamine may help to reduce the illegal manufacture, distribution, and use of this substance and result in increased arrests and prosecutions of methamphetamine violators; and

therefore, be it

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- 1 WHEREAS, The summer months are increasingly susceptible to 2 the illegal manufacture and use of methamphetamine since many 3 children are on summer vacation from school and are highly 4 susceptible to being exposed to this illicit substance;
- RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
 NINETY-FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
 August 1st of each year is hereby proclaimed as Methamphetamine
 Awareness Day in the State of Illinois; and be it further
- 10 RESOLVED, That the Department of State Police, the
 11 Department of Public Health, local law enforcement agencies,
 12 the State Board of Education, and local school districts
 13 promote an educational campaign on that day warning the
 14 population of this State of the dangers of methamphetamine
 15 manufacture and use.