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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Autism Spectrum Disorder is a complex
3 neurobiological disorder that affects the social, learning,
4 and behavioral skills of those affected by it; and

5 WHEREAS, Autism impacts one out of every 110 children in
6 the United States and is the fastest growing developmental
7 disability; and

8 WHEREAS, Autism can affect anyone, regardless of race,
9 ethnicity, or other factors; and

10 WHEREAS, Because a cure for autism has not been found,
11 individuals with autism can be assisted in reaching their
12 greatest potential through accurate early diagnosis,
13 appropriate education, and intervention; and

14 WHEREAS, Families of children with autism bear an enormous
15 financial burden of providing needed services and healthcare;
16 and

17 WHEREAS, Public information and awareness efforts are
18 important in accelerating early identification efforts and the
19 expansion of early intervention programs; and

1 WHEREAS, The United Nations has announced "World Autism
2 Day", which will be held on April 2, 2010 in order to call
3 attention to this worldwide disability; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
5 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize April 2,
6 2010 and April 2 of each year thereafter, as "World Autism Day"
7 in the State of Illinois; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That every individual with autism is a valued and
9 important member of our society and should be acknowledged and
10 recognized on this important day; and be it further

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12 RESOLVED, That we recognize the parents and relatives of
13 those individuals with autism for their sacrifice and
14 dedication in providing for the needs of individuals with
15 autism.