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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 2 WHEREAS, Computer Science provides a foundation 3 virtually any career and most people benefit from learning the 4 basics of Computer Science; and 5 WHEREAS, Software jobs outnumber Computer Science students 6 3 to 1 and there is a one million job gap over the past decade 7 between open jobs in Computer Science and qualified candidates; 8 and 9 WHEREAS, Ninety percent of schools in the United States do 10 not teach Computer Science; and WHEREAS, Many countries, including China, Vietnam, 11 12 Estonia, require Computer Science classes for all students; and 13 WHEREAS, Fewer than 10% of students in the United States 14 try to learn basic Computer Science; of these students, only 2% 15 are women and only 1% are students of color; and 16 WHEREAS, The week of December 9th through the 15th, 2013 is 17 Computer Science Education Week organized by the Computing in

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- 1 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
- 2 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we declare December 9, 2013 to
- 3 be Computer Science Education Day in the State of Illinois; and
- 4 be it further
- 5 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
- 6 presented to all the school districts in the State of Illinois.