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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Pulmonary fibrosis (PF), is a serious disease that  
3 creates scarring in the delicate lung tissue and is incurable;  
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WHEREAS, Pulmonary fibrosis often progresses quickly,  
6 causing limited quality of life and disability, and can lead to  
7 death within a few short years; and

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WHEREAS, In many cases, there is no identified cause of  
9 pulmonary fibrosis, which is therefore called idiopathic  
10 pulmonary fibrosis (IPF), and approximately 200,000 people in  
11 the United States are estimated to be diagnosed with this  
12 disease; and

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WHEREAS, Pulmonary fibrosis is often misdiagnosed and  
14 under-diagnosed, and a need has been identified to increase  
15 wide-ranging awareness and detection of this imperceptible  
16 disease; and

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WHEREAS, The Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation mobilizes  
18 people and resources to provide access to high quality care and  
19 leads research for a cure so people with pulmonary fibrosis  
20 will live longer, healthier lives; therefore, be it

1           RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare September of  
3 2016 as Global Pulmonary Fibrosis Month in the State of  
4 Illinois to increase awareness of this disease and encourage  
5 research into new treatments; and be it further

6           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
7 presented to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation as a symbol of  
8 our respect and esteem.