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1 SENATE RESOLUTION 2 WHEREAS, Elder abuse is detrimental to public health and 3 threatens millions of our parents, grandparents, and friends; 4 and WHEREAS, Elder abuse is a crisis that knows no borders or 5 6 socioeconomic boundaries; and 7 WHEREAS, Elderly Illinois citizens suffer physical, 8 emotional, and financial abuse, largely at the hands of people 9 that they know; and WHEREAS, It is estimated that elder abuse claims five 10 11 million older American victims each year; and 12 WHEREAS, Most victims of elder abuse do not report abuse to law enforcement or social service agencies; and 13 WHEREAS, The date of June 15 has been proclaimed World 14 15 Elder Abuse Awareness Day by President Barack Obama; therefore, 16 be it 17 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL 18 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we declare our intent 19 to eradicate abuse of the elderly in Illinois; and be it

- 1 further
- 2 RESOLVED, That we designate June 15, 2017 as Illinois Elder
- 3 Abuse Awareness Day in the State of Illinois; and be it further
- 4 RESOLVED, That we urge all Illinoisans to observe Illinois
- 5 Elder Abuse Awareness Day by learning the signs of elder abuse,
- 6 neglect, and exploitation, and by raising awareness about this
- 7 important public health issue.