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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The health and well-being of women in the State of 3 Illinois is a top priority; the health and education of women 4 is directly linked to improved social well-being for the entire 5 community; and

WHEREAS, Sexual education can help prevent sexually transmitted infections (STIs) and prevent unwanted and teenage pregnancies; frequent screening for cancer is one of the best ways to diagnose early and prevent fatal cancer; and

WHEREAS, The reproductive rights of women and their ability to make their own decisions about how to take care of their own bodies should be protected; access to education and medical services regarding sexual health is one of those rights; and

WHEREAS, Planned Parenthood provides safe, affordable, and women-centered healthcare services; one in five women in the United States will utilize the services of Planned Parenthood at least once; no federal monies actually fund abortions at Planned Parenthood, and Medicaid is restricted to only covering abortions of pregnancies due to rape or incest, or if the life of the mother is at risk; and

WHEREAS, Planned Parenthood provides much needed services

1 to women, including preventative and primary care to prevent

- 2 and treat sexually transmitted diseases; Planned Parenthood
- 3 provides the indispensable service of screening for cervical
- 4 and other cancers; Planned Parenthood educates the community on
- 5 safe sex practices and reproductive health to prevent STIs;
- 6 therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 8 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 9 urge the United States Congress to continue to fund Planned
- 10 Parenthood; and be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
- 12 delivered to President Donald Trump, Senate Majority Leader
- 13 Mitch McConnell, Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, Speaker
- of the House Paul Ryan, House of Representatives Minority
- 15 Leader Nancy Pelosi, and all members of the Illinois
- 16 Congressional Delegation.