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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, In 2020, an estimated 13,800 cases of invasive  
3 cervical cancer will be diagnosed in the U.S., and  
4 approximately 4,290 deaths will occur from cervical cancer; and

5 WHEREAS, All women are at risk for cervical cancer, with  
6 women over the age of 30 being at the highest risk; and

7 WHEREAS, Certain groups continue to be at increased risk of  
8 developing or dying from cervical cancer; Hispanic, American  
9 Indian, and Alaska Native women all have higher rates than  
10 other racial or ethnic groups; African American women have the  
11 highest death rates from cervical cancer; and

12 WHEREAS, Patients should consult their health care  
13 providers regarding individual risk for developing cervical  
14 cancer and HPV; and

15 WHEREAS, The FDA recently expanded approval of the human  
16 papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine from anyone aged 9 to 26 to anyone  
17 aged 9 to 45; and

18 WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
19 (CDC) estimates that HPV vaccine can prevent more than 90  
20 percent of HPV-related cancers, including cervical cancer; and

1           WHEREAS, Since the HPV vaccine was introduced in the United  
2 States, cervical cancer rates related to HPV have decreased by  
3 almost 50 percent; and

4           WHEREAS, The HPV vaccine is safe and effective; with  
5 vaccination and appropriate screening, cervical cancer is  
6 preventable; and

7           WHEREAS, Additional education and research on cervical  
8 cancer and HPV is needed, so more effective screening tests and  
9 treatments can be developed, including through clinical trials  
10 for cervical cancer; therefore, be it

11           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
12 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
13 we declare January 2020 as Cervical Health Awareness Month; and  
14 be it further

15           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
16 presented to the University of Illinois Cancer Center as a  
17 symbol of our appreciation for their efforts in raising  
18 awareness and educating patients on how they can protect  
19 themselves against HPV and cervical cancer.