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1 SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The success of our children and communities, as
3 well as the prosperity of our State and nation, are
4 significantly influenced by exemplary teachers throughout the
5 State of Illinois who dedicate their time and their talents to
6 ensuring our schools and our students excel in everything they
7 do; and

8 WHEREAS, Teachers mold future citizens through guidance
9 and education, providing the knowledge, support, and skills
10 that will positively impact generations to come; and

11 WHEREAS, Every day, our teachers encounter students of
12 widely-differing backgrounds, challenging them to meet high
13 academic standards, while also teaching them to apply what they
14 learn using critical thinking and problem-solving skills; and

15 WHEREAS, Our State and country's future depends on
16 providing quality education to all students; in our complex and
17 rapidly-changing economy, teachers lay the foundation for
18 success by developing students' creative thinking,
19 collaboration, and communication skills; and

20 WHEREAS, Teachers dedicate countless hours to preparing
21 lessons, evaluating progress, counseling and coaching

1 students, and performing community service, all with the
2 ultimate goal of guaranteeing students' academic, social, and
3 emotional well-being; and

4 WHEREAS, Through their service as mentors, coaches, and
5 club sponsors, Illinois teachers model good citizenship and
6 encourage students to give back to their communities; and

7 WHEREAS, Illinois teachers strive to instill in their
8 students a lifelong love of learning and to encourage them to
9 achieve their goals, while also recognizing that every student
10 has unique strengths and needs; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES
13 CONCURRING HEREIN, that we celebrate the hard work and
14 dedication of teachers in every school across Illinois and
15 declare May 6-10, 2019 as Teacher Appreciation Week in the
16 State of Illinois; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That we strongly encourage all members of our
18 communities statewide to join in personally expressing
19 appreciation to our teachers for their dedication and devotion
20 to their work.