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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Teach Kindness initiative is a national
3 social-emotional learning program organized by Stand for
4 Children that provides high-quality classroom lessons from
5 national experts, including Harvard's Making Caring Common
6 Initiative, Facing History and Ourselves, InspirED, the
7 Greater Good Science Center, and Yale's Center for Emotional
8 Intelligence; and

9 WHEREAS, The goal of Teach Kindness is to make schools
10 kinder and more welcoming places for students to thrive by
11 strengthening peer relationships, building empathy, and
12 developing positive mindsets; and

13 WHEREAS, Wagoner Elementary School in Community
14 Consolidated School District 168 in Sauk Village was one of
15 over 650 schools across the country that registered for the
16 Fall 2019 Teach Kindness Challenge; and

17 WHEREAS, Wagoner Elementary School teachers and staff
18 demonstrated an exceptional commitment to intentionally
19 teaching and fostering kindness among their students and
20 strengthening the welcoming atmosphere in the school; and

21 WHEREAS, Wagoner Elementary School students went above and

1 beyond the requirements of the 30-day Teach Kindness challenge,
2 transforming their learning environment and fundamentally
3 shifting student behavior; and

4 WHEREAS, The Wagoner Elementary School community has made a
5 long-term commitment to purposefully spreading kindness in
6 their school, community, and world; and

7 WHEREAS, Wagoner Elementary School has been selected as the
8 2020 National Winner of the Teach Kindness Challenge, a
9 recognition that carries a \$5,000 credit at DonorsChoose.org;
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we recognize the
13 students, teachers, leaders, and staff of Wagoner Elementary
14 School on their well-deserved recognition; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That we declare February 24, 2020 as "Teach
16 Kindness Day" in the State of Illinois; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 presented to Wagoner Elementary School as a symbol of our
19 appreciation for their ongoing commitment to making the world a
20 kinder place.