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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, Children and youth learn best when they are  
3 healthy, supported, and receive an education that enables them  
4 to thrive academically, socially, and emotionally; and

5           WHEREAS, Schools can more effectively ensure that all  
6 students are able to learn when they meet the needs of the  
7 whole child and provide integrated, multitiered supports; and

8           WHEREAS, Children's mental health is directly linked to  
9 their learning and development, and the learning environment  
10 provides an optimal context to promote good mental health  
11 through connectedness within the school and community; and

12           WHEREAS, Sound psychological principles are integral to  
13 instruction and learning, school safety, social and emotional  
14 development, prevention, early intervention, and support of  
15 culturally diverse student populations; and

16           WHEREAS, School psychology has more than 60 years of well  
17 established, widely recognized, and highly effective practices  
18 and standards that are clearly articulated in the Model for  
19 Comprehensive and Integrated School Psychological Services by  
20 the National Association of School Psychologists; and

1           WHEREAS, School psychologists are specially trained to  
2 foster and deliver, in the school and community, a continuum  
3 of mental health services and academic supports that lower  
4 barriers to teaching and learning; and

5           WHEREAS, School psychologists help children thrive by  
6 nurturing their individual strengths across both personal and  
7 academic endeavors; and

8           WHEREAS, School psychologists are trained to assess  
9 student and school-based barriers to learning and individual  
10 strengths, utilize data-based decision-making, implement  
11 research-driven prevention and intervention strategies, and  
12 evaluate outcomes and improve accountability; and

13           WHEREAS, The State of Illinois should recognize the vital  
14 role that school psychologists play in the personal and  
15 academic development of our State's children; therefore, be it

16           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
17 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
18 we declare November 8 to November 12, 2021 as School  
19 Psychology Awareness Week in the State of Illinois; and be it  
20 further

21           RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be

1 presented to the Illinois School Psychologists Association  
2 with our sincere appreciation for their efforts.