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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Cancer is the second leading cause of death in 3 Illinois and is the leading cause of death from disease among 4 children from birth to age 14; and

5 WHEREAS, In 2021, an estimated 74,980 Illinoisans will be 6 diagnosed with cancer, and 23,070 Illinois residents will die 7 from cancer; and

8 WHEREAS, The upcoming 2022-2027 Illinois Comprehensive 9 Cancer Control Plan identifies three priority areas to reduce 10 the incidence, morbidity, and mortality of cancer and improve 11 survivorship in Illinois; the three priority areas include 1) 12 Prevention, 2) Early Detection and Screening, and 3) 13 Diagnosis, Treatment, and Survivorship; and

14 WHEREAS, The upcoming 2022-2027 Illinois Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan seeks to increase awareness of and access 15 to cancer education, screening, treatment, and long-term 16 survivorship care, decrease death and suffering from cancer, 17 18 and eliminate the disparities that disproportionately affect 19 those population groups who experience social, economic, and environmental disadvantages whether according 20 to race, 21 ethnicity, age, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, 22 disability, religion, or language; and

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1 WHEREAS, A robust community engagement strategy with 2 collaboration among Illinois legislators, state departments 3 and divisions, local health departments, health care systems, 4 hospitals, health care providers, patients, caregivers, 5 advocates, academic institutions, nonprofit organizations, and 6 others is needed to achieve the three priorities of the 7 2022-2027 Illinois Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan; and

8 WHEREAS, The 2022-2027 Illinois Comprehensive Cancer 9 Control Plan recognizes the urgent need to address cancer 10 health equity and health disparities in Illinois by providing 11 a framework for strategies and interventions to address structural and systemic barriers that can reduce the risk of 12 13 cancer and improve the lives of Illinois residents diagnosed 14 with cancer; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE 16 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 17 we urge all legislators to support and promote the 2022-2027 18 Illinois Comprehensive Cancer Control Plan and to help achieve 19 the three priority areas by engaging, educating, and 20 empowering their constituents through community forums or 21 other efforts across the state of Illinois; and be it further

22 RESOLVED, That we recognize the Illinois Cancer

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Partnership and its Executive Committee for their leadership
in the development of the 2022-2027 Illinois Comprehensive
Cancer Plan; and be it further

4 RESOLVED, That we recognize the American Cancer Society, 5 Anderson Hospital/Anderson Mercy Cancer Care, Cook County 6 Health System, the Hope Light Foundation, the University of Illinois at Chicago, the University of Illinois Cancer Center, 7 8 the Robert H. Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center, SIHF 9 Healthcare, the Blue Hat Foundation, Southern Illinois 10 Healthcare, the University of Chicago Comprehensive Cancer 11 Center, University of Chicago Medicine, and the University of 12 Illinois Cancer Center for their contributions to the development and implementation of the 2022-2027 Illinois 13 14 Comprehensive Cancer Plan community engagement.