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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives wish to congratulate OMNI Youth Services on the occasion of its 50th anniversary; and

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WHEREAS, OMNI Youth Services was founded on June 29, 1972 by a concerned group of community members determined to provide a 24-hour hotline for Wheeling youth in mental health crisis; and

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WHEREAS, To meet the needs of the Wheeling community and surrounding area, OMNI Youth Services rapidly expanded its mission to providing affordable and accessible mental health services and counseling to children and youth in need in the Northwest Chicago suburbs; and

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WHEREAS, The dedication of the OMNI Youth Services team and partnerships with individuals, businesses, and community organizations have allowed OMNI Youth Services to continue to grow and serve its communities; and

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WHEREAS, OMNI Youth Services has impacted the lives of over 750,000 Illinois residents during its 50 years of service and has served in over 85 different Illinois communities, working independently and at times in partnership with

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1 organizations such as DCFS, local municipalities, police
2 departments, and juvenile justice systems; and

3 WHEREAS, America is in a youth mental health crisis so
4 extensive and pervasive that the U.S. Surgeon General released
5 an Advisory on the Status of Youth Mental Health to help
6 educate and draw attention to the immense need America's youth
7 have for mental health services; and

8 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois supports all residents and
9 youth who are in need of mental health services and wants them
10 to receive these services in an safe and accessible way,
11 whether to treat a mental illness, keep a family intact, or
12 start on the road of substance use recovery; and

13 WHEREAS, OMNI Youth Services has provided necessary and
14 effective mental health services for 50 years and continues to
15 do so; 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 June 29, 2022 as "OMNI YOUTH SERVICES DAY" in the
19 State of Illinois; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That we congratulate OMNI Youth Services on its
21 50th anniversary; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to OMNI Youth Services as a symbol of our respect and
3 esteem.