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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Parkinson's disease is a progressive nervous system disorder that affects movement; symptoms start gradually, sometimes starting with a barely noticeable tremor in just one hand; additional symptoms may include slowed movement, rigid muscles, impaired posture and balance, loss of automatic movements, speech changes, and writing changes; and

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WHEREAS, The signs and symptoms of Parkinson's disease can be different for everyone; early signs may be mild and go unnoticed; and

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WHEREAS, The cause of Parkinson's disease is unknown, and therefore, proven ways to prevent the disease also remain a mystery; and

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WHEREAS, Approximately 50,000 Americans are diagnosed with Parkinson's disease each year, and an estimated one millions people in the U.S. and 7 to 10 million people worldwide are living with the disease; and

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WHEREAS, Although Parkinson's disease cannot be cured, medications might significantly improve one's symptoms; early detection is key; therefore, be it

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1           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
2 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
3 we declare April 2022 as "Parkinson's Disease Awareness Month"  
4 in the State of Illinois to bring attention to those battling  
5 Parkinson's and to the importance of early detection and  
6 treatments.