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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The ability to read is fundamental to an individual's success and their ability to take part in our democracy as a responsible citizen; and

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WHEREAS, According to 2022 data from the National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP), one third of Illinois children are reading below their basic grade level; and

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WHEREAS, A study by the Annie E. Casey Foundation found that third graders that do not read proficiently are four times more likely to drop out of high school, and low-income students that do not read proficiently are six times more likely to drop out of high school; and

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WHEREAS, Students that cannot read proficiently experience difficulty in every school subject and find it hard to succeed academically; and

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WHEREAS, Students who cannot read proficiently are not well prepared for life after school; and

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WHEREAS, Parents are indispensable in the education of their children, and the habits that parents model and the passions they instill are vital to a child's development;

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1 therefore, be it

2 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
3 HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
4 we declare the week of May 5 through May 11, 2023 as Read with
5 Your Child Week in the State of Illinois; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That we encourage all Illinois schools to
7 promote Read with Your Child Week with appropriate activities;
8 and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
10 presented to Dr. Tony Sanders, the State Superintendent of
11 Education.