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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Feline infectious peritonitis (FIP) is a viral disease of cats caused by certain strains of a virus called the feline coronavirus; and

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WHEREAS, Until recently, FIP was considered to be a non-treatable disease; and

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WHEREAS, Once a cat develops clinical FIP, the disease is usually progressive and almost always fatal without the use of a therapy that has recently become available but has yet to be approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to treat FIP in cats; and

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WHEREAS, Two drugs, GS-5734, also known as remdesivir, and GS-441524, a metabolite of remdesivir, showed very promising results, generating cure rates between 80% and 100% in both artificially and naturally infected cats; and

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WHEREAS, Studies in both the laboratory and in client-owned cats with naturally occurring FIP suggest that GS-441524 may ultimately prove to be an effective treatment option for the effusive form of FIP; however, GS-441524 is currently not FDA-approved; and

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1 WHEREAS, While a number of sources offer GS-441524 for
2 sale, reports suggest that the products being provided by some
3 of these sources vary widely in both accuracy of reported drug
4 concentration and purity; and

5 WHEREAS, While remdesivir was pursued as a treatment for
6 severely ill COVID-19 patients, the company that developed it
7 did not seek approval for the other molecule as a veterinary
8 drug, fearing that any undesirable effects discovered for that
9 molecule could hinder approval of remdesivir for human use;
10 therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED THIRD GENERAL
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we encourage the U.S.
13 Food and Drug Administration (FDA) to approve GS-441524 and
14 remdesivir to treat feline infectious peritonitis (FIP) in
15 cats; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
17 delivered to all members of the Illinois Congressional
18 Delegation and the Food and Drug Administration.