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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer death  
3 for both men and women, and within every ethnic population, in  
4 Illinois, the United States and the world, this year killing  
5 more Americans than breast, prostate, and colon cancer  
6 combined; and

7           WHEREAS, In the United States in 2010, about 222,520 new  
8 cases of lung cancer were estimated to be diagnosed (116,750  
9 among men and 105,770 among women); and

10           WHEREAS, In the United States in 2010, there were an  
11 estimated 157,300 deaths from lung cancer (86,220 among men and  
12 71,080 among women), accounting for about 27% of all cancer  
13 deaths; and

14           WHEREAS, In Illinois in 2010, there were an estimated 9,190  
15 people diagnosed with lung cancer, and it is estimated that  
16 over 6,490 residents succumbed to the disease; and

17           WHEREAS, Lung cancer causes include smoking, secondhand  
18 smoke, exposure to toxins and known carcinogens, and genetic  
19 abnormalities; and

20           WHEREAS, 80% of lung cancer cases are diagnosed in people

1 who have never smoked or who have quit smoking; and

2 WHEREAS, An estimated 90% of lung cancer deaths among men  
3 and approximately 80% of lung cancer deaths among women are  
4 attributed to smoking; and

5 WHEREAS, Lung cancer has a poor prognosis; even with  
6 treatment, people with advanced non-small cell lung cancer have  
7 a 5-year survival rate of less than 5 percent; and

8 WHEREAS, Increased awareness and coordination among all  
9 stakeholders, including federal and state governments,  
10 providers, patient groups, community leaders and  
11 organizations, the public, businesses, and researchers, is  
12 critical to promote the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of  
13 lung cancer; therefore, be it

14 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
15 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
16 we proclaim the month of November 2011 as Lung Cancer Awareness  
17 Month in the State of Illinois.