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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The American Psychological Association has warned
3 against the detrimental effects of violent video games on
4 adolescents; and

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WHEREAS, Studies have showed a correlation between violent
6 video games and increased attention deficit problems,
7 violence, and addiction; and

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WHEREAS, 72% of American households play computer or video
9 games, as reported by the Entertainment Software Association;
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WHEREAS, 91% of American children aged 2 to 17 play
12 computer or video games, as reported by the NPD Group; and

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WHEREAS, Since 2009, there has been a 9% increase of
14 American children aged 2 to 17 that play video games, with an
15 approximate 65 million children currently playing video games,
16 as reported by the NPD Group; and

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WHEREAS, The American Psychological Association has
18 reported that, on average, boys spend 13 hours playing video
19 games a week and girls spend 5 hours playing video games a
20 week; and

1 WHEREAS, The Entertainment Software Ratings Board rates
2 games bases on their age appropriateness; therefore, be it

3 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
4 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
5 we urge parents to carefully monitor their children's use of
6 all media and encourage that they assist in controlling the
7 video games that their children play.