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HOUSE RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Athletic trainers have a long history of providing quality health care for athletes and those engaged in physical activity based on specific tasks, knowledge, and skills acquired through their nationally-regulated educational processes; and

WHEREAS, Athletic trainers provide injury prevention services, recognition, evaluation, and aggressive treatment, rehabilitation, health care administration, education, and guidance; and

WHEREAS, The National Athletic Trainers' Association represents and supports 35,000 members of the athletic training profession employed in professional sports, colleges and universities, high schools, clinics and hospitals, corporate and industrial settings, and branches of the military; and

WHEREAS, Leading organizations concerned with athletic training and health care have joined together in a common desire to raise public awareness of the importance of the athletic training profession and to emphasize the importance of quality health care within the aforementioned settings; and

WHEREAS, Such an effort will improve health care for

1 athletes and those engaged in physical activity and promote  
2 athletic trainers as health professionals; 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 designate March of 2012 as Athletic Training Month in the  
6 State of Illinois; and be it further

7       RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
8 presented to the Illinois Athletic Trainers Association as a  
9 symbol of our esteem and respect.