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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, Obesity in our nation has led to an epidemic rise 2 3 in the number people with heart disease and heart problems; and WHEREAS, The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention 4 5 estimates that, this year, nearly 600,000 Americans will die 6 from heart disease - nearly 1 in 4 deaths - and nearly 715,000 7 Americans will have their first, and for some, their last heart 8 attack; and 9 WHEREAS, A change in diet and exercising more has been 10 proven to prevent harmful heart conditions, the use of AEDs and proper administration of CPR has been proven to increase 11 survival rates in victims of heart attacks; and 12 13 WHEREAS, The American Heart Association formally endorsed CPR as a life-saving technique in 1963; and 14 15 Since the inception of AEDs in 1947 on a WHEREAS, 14-year-old patient, they have been used to save the lives of 16 17 countless people; and

WHEREAS, It is a priority of this body to raise awareness

of the proper use and techniques for performing CPR and using

AEDs in society at large; therefore, be it

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1 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL

2 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we designate the month

of May of 2013 and 2014 as AED and CPR Education Awareness

Month in the State of Illinois in order to save the lives of

5 future generations.