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2 WHEREAS, In 2015, an estimated 48,960 people will be 3 diagnosed with pancreatic cancer in the United States; 40,560 4 of these people will die from the disease; and

5 WHEREAS, Pancreatic cancer is one of the deadliest cancers; 6 it is currently the fourth leading cause of cancer death in the 7 United States and is projected to become the second by 2020; 8 and

9 WHEREAS, Pancreatic cancer is the only major cancer with a 10 5-year relative survival rate in the single digits at just 7%; 11 and

WHEREAS, When symptoms of pancreatic cancer present themselves, it is generally late stage; 73% of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first year of their diagnosis, while 93% of pancreatic cancer patients die within the first 5 years; and

WHEREAS, Approximately 1,640 deaths from pancreatic cancer will occur in Illinois in 2015; and

19 WHEREAS, Pancreatic cancer is the seventh most common cause 20 of cancer-related death in men and women across the world; 1 there will be an estimated 367,000 new pancreatic cancer cases

- 2 diagnosed globally in 2015; and
- 3 WHEREAS, The good health and well-being of the residents of
- 4 State of Illinois are enhanced as a direct result of increased
- 5 awareness about pancreatic cancer and research into early
- 6 detection, causes, and effective treatments; therefore, be it
- 7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 8 NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 9 designate November 13, 2015 as World Pancreatic Cancer Day in
- 10 the State of Illinois in recognition of this disease and its
- 11 effects on the citizens of this State.