WHEREAS, headache diseases impact one in four households in the United States with more than 42 million Americans living with headache diseases, including approximately four million with chronic migraines who experience 15 or more migraine attacks each month; and,

WHEREAS, migraine disease impacts all systems of the body with symptoms that can include intense pain, nausea and vomiting, sensitivity to light, sound, smell, and touch, visual disturbances, tinnitus, chills, fatigue, anomic aphasia (trouble finding words), impaired cognitive function, numbness, and weakness, lasting for four to 72 hours on average; and,

WHEREAS, significant disparities in diagnosis, treatment, and outcomes persist, particularly affecting Black, Hispanic, and Native/Indigenous populations who face under-diagnosis and inadequate treatment; and,

WHEREAS, the effects of headache diseases - of which there are 300 medically recognized - are experienced on a spectrum, presenting significantly different levels of intensity, frequency, and disability, with estimates that up to 40 to 50 percent of people living with migraine disease are undiagnosed; and,

WHEREAS, migraine is the second leading cause of global disability, costing U.S. companies upwards of 78 billion dollars in direct and indirect costs, and is notably one of the most disabling for young women under 50 years old; and,

WHEREAS, all persons living with headache diseases deserve fair, equal, timely, and affordable access to new and innovative treatments to live their lives to their fullest potential;

THEREFORE, I, JB Pritzker, Governor of the State of Illinois, do hereby proclaim June 2024 as Migraine and Headache Awareness Month in Illinois.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Illinois to be affixed.

Done at the Capitol in the City of Springfield,
this TWENTY-NINTH day of MAY, in the Year of Our Lord, two thousand and TWENTY-FOUR, and of the State of Illinois,
two hundred and FIFTH.

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SECRETARY OF STATE

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GOVERNOR