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**BILL 12**

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**INTERIM COMMITTEE Resolution**

**School Safety Committee**

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**BILL TOPIC: "Support I Love U Guys Foundation"**

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**INTERIM COMMITTEE JOINT RESOLUTION**

101 **CONCERNING THE SUPPORT OF THE "I LOVE U GUYS" FOUNDATION.**

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1           WHEREAS, The "I Love U Guys" foundation was created in 2006  
2 by Ellen and John-Michael Keyes following the death of their daughter,  
3 Emily Keyes, during a school shooting at Platte Canyon High School in  
4 Bailey, Colorado; and

5           WHEREAS, During the time Emily Keyes was held hostage, she  
6 sent her parents a text message that said "I love u guys"; and

7           WHEREAS, In honor of Emily Keyes' kindness, dignity, and  
8 grace, her parents established the "I Love U Guys" foundation to advance  
9 student and school safety; and

10           WHEREAS, In 2009 the foundation began developing programs  
11 and initiatives to increase school safety, as well as the supporting

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1 materials necessary to advance those programs, including standard  
2 response protocols, training, and informational presentations; and

3 WHEREAS, The mission of the foundation and its school safety  
4 programs is to protect the joy of youth by focusing on kindness,  
5 community, and responsibility, both at the individual and community  
6 levels; and

7 WHEREAS, To that end, in collaboration with experts in the fields  
8 of education, law enforcement, emergency response, and psychology, the  
9 foundation has developed research and evidence-based real-world  
10 solutions that can be brought to the classroom to facilitate school and  
11 community safety and promote family reunification following a crisis;  
12 and

13 WHEREAS, The foundation's programs have been implemented  
14 by over 25,000 schools, agencies, and organizations across the United  
15 States and Canada, and the foundation hosts two yearly national school  
16 safety symposiums that focus on proactive, considered, and effective  
17 methods of keeping schools safe; now, therefore,

18 *Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Seventy-second General*  
19 *Assembly of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives*  
20 *concurring herein:*

21 That we, the members of the Colorado General Assembly, support  
22 the mission of the "I Love U Guys" foundation and the invaluable  
23 programs the foundation works to implement to promote the advancement  
24 of school safety and to preserve the joy of youth.