

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, In the light of the events on September 11, 2001
3 the price of gasoline at some locations has risen
4 dramatically within hours of this national tragedy; and

5 WHEREAS, There has been reports of gas prices operating
6 at four and five dollars a gallon; and

7 WHEREAS, It is questionable that this national tragedy
8 has any immediate threat to the national oil supply; and

9 WHEREAS, A few Illinois petroleum retailers have created
10 an artificial gas crisis due to this national tragedy; and

11 WHEREAS, Some gas retailers have exploited this national
12 tragedy to take advantage of Illinois consumers; and

13 WHEREAS, The General Assembly understands that many
14 petroleum retailers did not engage in this price gouging and
15 that the actions of those who did is unconscionable; and

16 WHEREAS, While the nation and Illinois citizens mourned,
17 certain petroleum retailers took advantage of the crisis by
18 gouging consumers; and

19 WHEREAS, The cost of gasoline has widespread
20 ramifications upon the economic performance of the State of
21 Illinois and this nation; and

22 WHEREAS, The cost of gasoline affects numerous citizens
23 throughout Illinois; therefore, be it

24 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
25 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
26 we urge the Attorney General to conduct an immediate
27 investigation of petroleum retailers to determine if any
28 Illinois laws were violated by price gouging or collusion in
29 the State of Illinois; and be it further

1 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
2 presented to the Illinois Attorney General.