

## 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The attack on America of September 11, 2001, was  
3 a shock to the State of Illinois and the nation; and

4 WHEREAS, There is an ongoing military and  
5 multidimensional response to terrorism that we strongly  
6 support; and

7 WHEREAS, The United States faces the potential of a  
8 serious recession, having already lost 25,000 manufacturing  
9 jobs in Illinois since the beginning of the year, and the  
10 attack on America may cause the loss of tens of thousands  
11 more, particularly in the airline, hotel and tourism  
12 industries; and

13 WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States has already  
14 taken critical action to support affected industries and is  
15 proposing additional aid to business; and

16 WHEREAS, The Congress is considering an economic stimulus  
17 package; and

18 WHEREAS, The core goal of an economic stimulus package is  
19 the stabilization of communities; and

20 WHEREAS, Supporting business to stabilize employment must  
21 be a critical part of any economic stimulus package to be  
22 adopted by the Congress; and

23 WHEREAS, Supporting workers must be included as part of  
24 any economic stimulus package to stabilize the economy; and

25 WHEREAS, Supporting state and local governments to avoid  
26 or lessen state or local tax revenues is a critical part of  
27 any economic stimulus package; and

28 WHEREAS, The economic stimulus package should include the  
29 following provisions: extending federally funded unemployment

1 compensation, where needed, by 26 weeks; aiding workers by  
2 improving health care access by at least paying 75% of the  
3 COBRA health care costs and other health care assistance;  
4 aiding workers by fully funding targeted training and worker  
5 reemployment programs and taking such other actions to save  
6 personal homes and stabilize credit transactions; and

7 WHEREAS, If the Congress does not address the critical  
8 areas of economic stimulus, business workers and state and  
9 local government, these costs will have to be borne by state  
10 and local governments, workers and business; and

11 WHEREAS, The economic stimulus package adopted by the  
12 Congress on October 24, 2001, fails to adequately address the  
13 needs of workers in state and local government; therefore, be  
14 it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
16 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
17 we urge the Congress of the United States to address each of  
18 the three critical areas that will create economic stability  
19 and allow full growth; and be it further

20 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives ask the  
21 Congress to help workers by considering the following  
22 provisions: extending federally funded unemployment  
23 compensation, where needed, by 26 weeks; aiding workers by  
24 improving health care access by at least paying 75% of the  
25 COBRA health care costs and other health care assistance;  
26 aiding workers by fully funding targeted training and worker  
27 reemployment programs and taking such other actions to save  
28 personal homes and stabilize credit transactions; and be it  
29 further

30 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives respectfully  
31 request that the Congress provide aid to affected states to  
32 offset revenue deficits; and be it further

1           RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be delivered to  
2 the President of the United States, to the presiding officers  
3 of each house of Congress and to each member of the Illinois  
4 congressional delegation.