

1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Native American Indian tribes are building large
3 casinos on our borders in the municipalities of Kenosha,
4 Beloit, Shullsburg, Delavan, and Caledonia, Wisconsin; and

5 WHEREAS, Such casinos are draining entertainment dollars
6 and jobs from Illinois and harming Illinois businesses; and

7 WHEREAS, This huge expansion of gambling will increase
8 the number of problem gamblers in Illinois and the social
9 problems such gamblers cause; and

10 WHEREAS, These border casinos will provide no revenues to
11 Illinois to address these social and economic costs; and

12 WHEREAS, The Bureau of Indian Affairs is encouraging the
13 construction of these casinos and ignoring the concerns and
14 input of Illinois citizens; therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SECOND GENERAL
16 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we oppose the
17 construction of casinos along our State borders; and be it
18 further

19 RESOLVED, That the Illinois General Assembly urges the
20 Bureau of Indian Affairs to put an immediate halt to the
21 construction of these casinos until such time as Illinois
22 citizens and their concerns are heard; and be it further

23 RESOLVED, That the Illinois General Assembly urges the
24 members of the United States Congress to join with the State
25 of Illinois in our petition to the Bureau of Indian Affairs
26 and to make meaningful changes to the Indian Gaming
27 Regulatory Act to prevent this type of gambling expansion in
28 the future; and be it further

29 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
30 presented to the members of the Illinois Congressional

1 delegation and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.