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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, President Donald Trump and Congressional
3 Republicans are proposing radical changes to America's tax
4 code; and

5 WHEREAS, The changes President Trump and his Congressional
6 allies are discussing would benefit millionaires and
7 billionaires while hurting working families; and

8 WHEREAS, President Trump and Congressional Republicans
9 have discussed removing the state and local deduction, also
10 known as SALT, as a way to pay for their proposed tax cuts for
11 the wealthy; and

12 WHEREAS, The state and local deduction allows families that
13 pay state and local income or sales tax to deduct those taxes
14 from their federal income tax; and

15 WHEREAS, This deduction prevents families from being
16 doubled taxed, once by the federal government and again by the
17 state; and

18 WHEREAS, The state and local deduction has broad bipartisan
19 support and has been helping Illinoisans since 1913; and

1 WHEREAS, Illinois has the fifth highest number of taxpayers
2 who claim the state and local tax deduction in the nation; and

3 WHEREAS, Nearly two million Illinois taxpayers claimed
4 more than \$24 billion in SALT deductions in 2015, with each
5 claiming an average \$12,500 in deductions; and

6 WHEREAS, Of Illinoisans who claim a SALT deduction,
7 approximately 85% earn less than \$200,000 per year; therefore,
8 be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
10 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE
11 CONCURRING HEREIN, that we strongly oppose any and all efforts
12 by the Trump Administration and Congress to eliminate the state
13 and local deduction; and be it further

14 RESOLVED, That we call upon Governor Rauner to work with
15 the Illinois Congressional Delegation to ensure that the state
16 and local deduction is not eliminated; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
18 delivered to all members of the Illinois Congressional
19 Delegation.