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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Every year an estimated 50,000-65,000
3 undocumented students graduate from United States high
4 schools, yet only an estimated five to 10% of these students
5 are able to attend college due to a lack of access to financial
6 aid; and

7 WHEREAS, The DePaul University Undocumented Vincentian
8 Allies worked with the Student Government Association to
9 address this issue, proposing a referendum to the student body
10 which, if passed, would increase tuition by \$2 quarterly for
11 full-time undergraduate students to be put into a scholarship
12 fund for undocumented students; and

13 WHEREAS, DePaul University's student body overwhelmingly
14 voted in favor of the proposed referendum, creating a
15 scholarship fund of approximately \$79,000; and

16 WHEREAS, DePaul University's president, Rev. Dennis H.
17 Holtschneider C.M., upheld and supported this student-led
18 initiative; therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
20 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
21 congratulate and commend the students who led this initiative

1 who embody the legacy of St. Vincent de Paul, which calls for a
2 commitment to service and the experience of the poor and a
3 pledge to build transformative relationships amongst
4 marginalized communities and those working towards justice for
5 such communities; and be it further

6 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
7 presented to DePaul University's President of Undocumented
8 Vincentian Allies, the President of the Student Government
9 Association, and University President Rev. Dennis H.
10 Holtschneider C.M.