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HOUSE RESOLUTION 1113

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2 WHEREAS, Falun Gong is a peaceful and nonviolent form of 3 personal belief with millions of adherents in China and 4 elsewhere; and

5 WHEREAS, Falun Gong has been persecuted for over 6 years by 6 the Chinese Communist Party, as documented by the U.S. 7 Department of State, the U.S. Commission on International 8 Religious Freedom, Amnesty International, Human Rights Watch, 9 and many other governmental and third party organizations; and

10 WHEREAS, This persecution of the Falun Gong has involved 11 the widespread use of torture; and

12 WHEREAS, The Chinese Communist authority is persecuting 13 Falun Gong practitioners with this policy: "Defame their 14 reputation, bankrupt them financially, destroy them 15 physically"; and

16 WHEREAS, Over 2,800 Falun Gong practitioners have died from 17 documented abuse, and some of their bodies were missing 18 internal organs; and

WHEREAS, In Sujiatun, a suburb of the Chinese city of Shenyang, thousands of Falun Gong practitioners are held in a prison camp contrary to the laws of China and in violation of their human rights; and

WHEREAS, The Sujiatun prison camp is adjacent to a complexthat contains 3 hospitals; and

25 WHEREAS, In the prison at Sujiatun the organs of Falun Gong 26 adherents are harvested while they are alive, and their bodies 27 are immediately cremated; and HR1113 Enrolled -2- LRB094 20085 AJO 57680 r
WHEREAS, The harvested organs are then used by the
hospitals associated with the prison for transplants, with the
customers for these transplants often being individuals from
the United States; and

5 WHEREAS, A witness, who worked at one of these hospitals 6 and whose ex-husband, a surgeon, helped perform the organ 7 harvesting, estimates that 4,000 Falun Gong practitioners have 8 died in the past 5 years through this organ harvesting; and

9 WHEREAS, Chinese President Hu Jintao will make an official 10 visit to the United States in April 2006; therefore, be it

11 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE 12 NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 13 we call upon the Chinese Communist Party to stop persecuting 14 Falun Gong practitioners; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we urge the United States government to investigate organ transplants in China and take all reasonable steps to bring an end to the revolting practice of harvesting organs from living prisoners for transplants; and be it further

19 RESOLVED, That we recommend to President Bush that he 20 should discuss with Hu Jintao the harvesting of organs from 21 living Falun Gong practitioners when President Bush meets the 22 head of the Chinese Communist Party in April; and be it further

RESOLVED, That we call upon the United States government to prohibit any doctors who performed transplants using organs harvested from living prisoners, such as those at Sujiatun prison, from gaining entry into the United States; and be it further

28 RESOLVED, That we call upon the United Nations, the 29 International Committee of the Red Cross, Amnesty HR1113 Enrolled -3- LRB094 20085 AJO 57680 r
International, or other human rights organizations to each
begin an investigation into these atrocities and provide a copy
of its investigative report to the United States Congress and
to the General Assembly; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That a copy of this resolution be presented to 6 the Falun Gong practitioners of Illinois and that a copy of 7 this resolution be delivered to the President of the United 8 States of America, George W. Bush, the United Nations, the 9 International Committee of the Red Cross, and Amnesty 10 International.