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1 SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The AIDS Drug Assistance Program (ADAP) provides
3 access to treatment for low-income people living with HIV/AIDS
4 who are uninsured or lack adequate prescription drug coverage;
5 and

6 WHEREAS, ADAP assistance and the Ryan White CARE Act
7 services provide a safety net for Americans who have no other
8 means of accessing HIV medications; and

9 WHEREAS, Nearly 4,000 Illinoisans rely on Illinois ADAP for
10 their lifesaving medications; and

11 WHEREAS, Many state ADAPs have been facing financial
12 difficulties and are unable to meet the needs of those who
13 depend on the program; and

14 WHEREAS, Twenty states have implemented restrictions to
15 treatment access, including waiting lists in nine states, and
16 eight states are anticipating new or additional restrictions in
17 the next few months; and

18 WHEREAS, The number of people depending on ADAP continues
19 to grow; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL
21 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we call on the United
22 States Congress to fully fund the AIDS Drug Assistance Program
23 at \$1.037 billion in FY06; and be it further

24 RESOLVED, That we respectfully urge Congress to fully fund
25 the essential health and social services that enable
26 individuals to access ADAP and remain in care; the CARE Act
27 should be fully funded at \$2.561 billion in FY06, an increase
28 of \$513.35 million, which includes the requested amount for

1 ADAP; and be it further

2 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be presented to
3 HIV/AIDS Chief Andre Rawls; Nancy Abraham, ADAP/CHIC
4 Administrator; Dr. Eric Whitaker, Director of Public Health;
5 and each member of the Illinois Congressional Delegation.