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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Illinois is experiencing a budget crisis that is
3 one of the worst in the State's long history; and

4 WHEREAS, The financial condition of the State is affecting
5 individuals, families, social services providers and their
6 clients, State employees, units of local governments,
7 educational institutions, businesses and other enterprises,
8 large and small, and in some cases the State's financial
9 condition is leaving those impacted without any avenue for
10 relief; and

11 WHEREAS, Hundreds of millions of dollars of revenue to the
12 State have been lost due to the recession that has gripped the
13 entire nation; and

14 WHEREAS, At present Illinois has a budget shortfall that
15 all agree is measured in billions of dollars; and

16 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois cannot ignore the talent of
17 experienced Illinois citizen leaders who can assist the
18 Governor and the General Assembly in identifying all
19 appropriate means of effecting savings and gathering more
20 income; and

1 WHEREAS, The effort made by the officials who share
2 responsibility for governing the State of Illinois in this
3 budget crisis must give a high priority to serving the people
4 of Illinois and allow that important principle to guide all
5 decisions made, in matters temporary or permanent; therefore,
6 be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE
9 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that the 2010 State Financial Crisis
10 Task Force is established to address all appropriate means of
11 cutting State government costs, identifying efficiencies that
12 can be effected in State government and in the other entities
13 that the State funds or serves, and obtaining more revenue and
14 funding for the State of Illinois, all while maintaining as a
15 high priority service to the people of Illinois; and be it
16 further

17 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall consist of 8 persons,
18 to be appointed as follows:

19 (1) Two members appointed by the Speaker of the House
20 of Representatives; and

21 (2) Two members appointed by the Minority Leader of the
22 House of Representatives; and

23 (3) Two members appointed by the President of the
24 Senate; and

1 (4) Two members appointed by the Minority Leader of the
2 Senate; and be it further

3 RESOLVED, That the Task Force shall deliver a written
4 report to the General Assembly and the Governor by an early
5 date, jointly established by the Speaker of the House of
6 Representatives, the Minority Leader of the House of
7 Representatives, the President of the Senate, and the Minority
8 Leader of the Senate, that makes findings and recommendations,
9 and upon filing this report, the Task Force shall be available
10 to assist the General Assembly as it addresses the budget
11 crisis during 2010; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives and the Senate
13 shall provide administrative and other support to the Task
14 Force and that the members of the Task Force shall be
15 reimbursed for their travel expenses and subject to the rules
16 of the appropriate travel control board; and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
18 delivered to the Governor.