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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, Forty years after Congress passed the 3 Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA), promising every 4 worker the right to a safe job, the protections in OSHA have 5 saved hundreds of thousands of lives and prevented millions of 6 workplace injuries; and

7 WHEREAS, Nationally in 2007, despite current safety laws, 8 more than four million workers were injured and 5,488 workers 9 were killed due to job hazards; and

10 WHEREAS, On April 28, 2009 organized labor will observe 11 Workers' Memorial Day all across the country to remember those 12 who have suffered and died on the job and to renew the fight 13 for safe workplaces for all workers; therefore, be it

14 HOUSE REPRESENTATIVES RESOLVED, ΒY THE OF OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 15 16 the Illinois House of Representatives recognizes that as long as there are workers seriously injured or killed on the job, 17 18 there will be a need to support stronger safety and health laws 19 in our State and country and will work to that end; and be it further 20

21 RESOLVED, That

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encourage the Illinois congressional delegation and President
Barack Obama to continue to revise, revamp and strengthen our
federal workplace safety laws and to properly fund OSHA
programs and staff; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That the Illinois House of Representatives 6 offers its deep felt sympathy and understanding to the families 7 of workers who have been seriously injured or killed on the 8 job; and be it further

9 RESOLVED, That the Illinois House of Representatives 10 officially declares April 28, 2009 as Workers' Memorial Day in 11 Illinois.