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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

- WHEREAS, Large banks have received Troubled Asset Relief
 Program (TARP) funds to save them in these difficult times; and
 WHEREAS, Smaller banks did not have access to TARP funds;
 and
- 6 WHEREAS, Many community banks invested in 7 government-sponsored enterprises, which were highly rated by 8 the government and thought to be secure by these community 9 banks, but then created significant losses to the banks through 10 the downturn in the economy through no fault of the banks 11 themselves; and
- 12 WHEREAS, Community banks make loans to persons and 13 businesses in the community, but they have been unable to do 14 all they can because of a lack of capital; and
- 15 WHEREAS, Community banks will be important to the recovery 16 and restabilization of community housing, especially housing 17 affected by the current foreclosure crisis; and
- 18 WHEREAS, Community banks also invest in the community 19 through their philanthropic works; and

- 1 WHEREAS, Community banks throughout the United States
- 2 would be affected, recapitalized, and saved through
- 3 appropriate legislation; therefore, be it
- 4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
- 5 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
- 6 urge Congress to pass legislation supporting banks that did not
- 7 receive TARP funds and were affected by the
- 8 government-sponsored enterprise fallout to allow those banks
- 9 to go back 5 years for deductions of losses rather than the
- 10 current allowance of 2 years; and be it further
- 11 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of the legislation be
- 12 presented to each member of the Illinois congressional
- 13 delegation.