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SENATE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, It is necessary for the Congress of the United
3 States to provide a fair and effective approach to climate and
4 energy supply issues in order to safeguard American jobs,
5 ensure affordable energy for America, and maintain America's
6 global competitiveness; and

7 WHEREAS, The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's plan
8 to regulate greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from new cars and
9 light trucks will trigger the same regulation of GHG emissions
10 from stationary sources, like manufacturing facilities, power
11 plants, hospitals, and commercial establishments; and

12 WHEREAS, Regulating greenhouse gas emissions from
13 "stationary sources" under the Clean Air Act would be a great
14 anchor on manufacturing and the economy in general; and

15 WHEREAS, The pending USEPA effort would burden progress on
16 2 of the nation's top priorities, environmental improvement and
17 economic recovery, by imposing onerous permitting requirements
18 that will significantly delay or even eliminate investments in
19 new energy-efficient technologies; and

20 WHEREAS, Over 4 million jobs were lost in 2009, and these
21 proposed regulations have the potential to cause even more job

1 losses; and

2 WHEREAS, The regulatory requirements of the Clean Air Act
3 will overwhelm state agencies, which are not equipped to handle
4 the estimated 6 million anticipated permitting requests; and

5 WHEREAS, Only Congress can act to avoid the significant
6 costs and burdens imposed by the regulations on stationary
7 sources, which even the USEPA admits will lead to "absurd
8 results"; therefore, be it

9 RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL
10 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we encourage the
11 Congress to adopt legislation that would postpone the USEPA's
12 effort to regulate greenhouse gas emissions from stationary
13 sources using existing Clean Air Act authority until Congress
14 adopts a balanced approach to address climate and energy supply
15 issues without crippling the economy; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
17 delivered to members of the Illinois congressional delegation.