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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Many thousands of Illinoisans have had their 2 3 health insurance plans cancelled and many more thousands will soon face cancellation in 2014 as a direct result of the 4 5 Affordable Care Act; and WHEREAS, Many Illinois families that were forced into the 6 7 Affordable Care Act health insurance exchange are now facing 8 higher deductibles, higher premiums, and limited provider 9 networks, or are forgoing insurance coverage altogether; and 10 WHEREAS, Some Illinois lawmakers are seeking to adopt a State-based health insurance exchange under the Affordable 11 Care Act that could cost Illinoisans more than \$100 million; 12 13 and 14 Illinois lawmakers are WHEREAS. receiving generous taxpayer-funded health premium subsidies toward their Illinois 15 16 State Employees' Group Insurance Program benefits; and 17 WHEREAS, Illinois lawmakers participating in the program 18 may pay anywhere from \$119 to \$211 per month in Fiscal Year 2014 for their own coverage, which is a fraction of the true 19 20 insurance coverage cost to taxpayers; therefore, be it

- 1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ΟF THE 2 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE 3 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we urge any lawmaker who supports any further expansion of the Affordable Care Act in 4 the State of Illinois to immediately forfeit his or her 5 6 taxpayer-funded premium subsidy and voluntarily enroll in the 7 Affordable Care Act health insurance exchange; and be it 8 further
- 9 RESOLVED, That we urge Illinois' elected senators and 10 representatives to live by the same set of rules that they 11 impose upon those they claim to represent.