

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The Lincoln Developmental Center (LDC) provides
3 valuable services to its clients, the developmentally
4 disabled, and the community; and

5 WHEREAS, The Department of Human Services and Governor
6 George H. Ryan have announced the downsizing of LDC; and

7 WHEREAS, Several Committee hearings have been held to
8 allow testimony by the Lincoln Parents Association,
9 advocates, and opponents of the downsizing of LDC; and

10 WHEREAS, On February 8, 2002, State Representatives Louis
11 I. Lang and James D. Brosnahan, on behalf of the Joint
12 Committee on Mental Health and Patient Abuse and the Disabled
13 Community Committee, submitted a letter and a set of
14 questions to the Department of Human Services; to date, the
15 Department has not responded to these questions; and

16 WHEREAS, Ultimately, the goal of Committee hearings and
17 the Joint Committee on Mental Health and Patient Abuse is to
18 protect the best interests of LDC clients and the community;
19 therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
21 NINETY-SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
22 we encourage the Department of Human Services to provide
23 documents, testimony, and other information that is needed by
24 the Joint Committee on Mental Health and Patient Abuse to
25 fulfill its legislative duties in connection with the
26 downsizing of the Lincoln Developmental Center; and be it
27 further

28 RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be sent to the
29 Secretary of Human Services.