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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, S. 1573 of the 116th Congress, introduced by Sen.  
3 Tammy Duckworth, and its companion bill H.R. 3932, introduced  
4 by Cong. Lauren Underwood, would eliminate co-pays for  
5 preventive procedures and medication for patients treated  
6 through the Veterans Administration (VA); and

7 WHEREAS, Private insurance companies waive co-pays for  
8 preventive care because they realize that the amount they would  
9 spend on preventive care is far less than what they would have  
10 to spend on the treatment for preventable diseases; and

11 WHEREAS, When the VA instituted co-pays, it told veterans  
12 that co-pays actually benefited them because it would mean that  
13 the VA would have more money to spend on their treatment; this  
14 was an insult to the intelligence of veterans because no  
15 outside healthcare provider would ever insult the intelligence  
16 of its patients by telling them that paying or paying more for  
17 their care would be good for them; and

18 WHEREAS, Veterans should not be the only Americans who are  
19 required to make co-pays for preventive care; therefore, be it

20 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
21 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE

1 SENATE CONCURRING HEREIN, that we urge the passage of the  
2 legislation before the 116th U.S. Congress that would eliminate  
3 co-pays for preventive procedures and medication for those  
4 treated through the Veterans Administration; and be it further

5 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be  
6 delivered to the President of the United States, the U.S.  
7 Senate Majority Leader, the U.S. Senate Minority Leader, the  
8 U.S. Speaker of the House, the U.S. House of Representatives  
9 Minority Leader, and all members of the Illinois Congressional  
10 Delegation.