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## HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of 3 Representatives believe that quality public education is the 4 foundation of a democratic society; and

5 WHEREAS, An equitable, bias-free public education system 6 and responsible funding for all levels of education is required 7 in order to make a knowledgeable and productive society; and

8 WHEREAS, A strong federal commitment to education is 9 especially necessary in difficult economic times; underfunding 10 the education system has been and remains an unacceptable 11 scenario and more creative solutions to education funding 12 issues are needed to combat this troubling trend; and

13 The reauthorization and improvement of WHEREAS, the 14 Elementary and Secondary Education Act, along with the creation 15 of programs to close the achievement gap and increase access to 16 higher education, a diminished or eliminated voucher system, 17 and increased protection and enforcement of Title IΧ 18 protections, would also help to create the conditions necessary 19 to make the American education system the best in the world; therefore, be it 20

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE

HR1300 -2-LRB097 23429 GRL 72318 r 1 NINETY-SEVENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that 2 we urge Congress to pass legislation to increase funding for schools, reauthorize and improve the Elementary and Secondary 3 Education Act, create programs aimed at closing the achievement 4 5 gap and increasing access to higher education, prevent the 6 expansion of vouchers, and protect and enforce Title IX 7 protections to order to bolster the American education system and provide educators with the tools to give students the 8 9 quality education they deserve; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be 11 presented to the Speaker of the United States House of 12 Representatives, the Majority Leader of the United States 13 Senate, and each member of the Illinois congressional 14 delegation.