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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2           WHEREAS, President Donald Trump's first day in office  
3 included no effort to address the cost of groceries, to create  
4 economic security for working families, or to expand access to  
5 healthcare but was instead focused on issuing blanket pardons  
6 for his supporters who were tried and convicted for their role  
7 in his January 6, 2021 insurrection; and

8           WHEREAS, On January 6, 2021, a mob of President Trump  
9 loyalists, summoned and ginned up by President Trump himself,  
10 stormed the United States Capitol Building, attempting to stop  
11 the peaceful transfer of power; and

12           WHEREAS, These violent Trump extremists injured 140 law  
13 enforcement officers, attacking police with bats, poles, mace,  
14 and stolen police shields and batons; four officers died as a  
15 result; and

16           WHEREAS, More than 1,100 criminals were convicted for  
17 their actions that day, with 1,030 admitting their own guilt;  
18 and

19           WHEREAS, Immediately after swearing to uphold the  
20 Constitution, President Trump gave his "full, complete, and  
21 unconditional pardon" to 1,500 individuals who attacked the

1 Constitution and the Rule of Law; and

2 WHEREAS, President Trump pardoned a man convicted of  
3 repeatedly assaulting police officers with pepper spray; and

4 WHEREAS, President Trump pardoned a man convicted of  
5 assaulting police officers with two cans of bear spray; and

6 WHEREAS, President Trump pardoned a man convicted of using  
7 a police riot shield to "crush" a Washington D.C. police  
8 officer; and

9 WHEREAS, President Trump pardoned a man convicted of using  
10 a stun gun and "plunging it" multiple times into an officer's  
11 neck; and

12 WHEREAS, President Trump pardoned a man convicted of  
13 choking an officer to the ground; and

14 WHEREAS, President Trump pardoned a man convicted of  
15 entering the United States Senate chamber equipped with zip  
16 ties prosecutors said were to be used as makeshift hand cuffs;  
17 and

18 WHEREAS, President Trump freed members of the Proud Boys  
19 and Oath Keepers who were convicted of seditious conspiracy;

1 and

2 WHEREAS, President Trump pardoned a man who wrote on  
3 social media that his actions assaulting officers on January 6  
4 were "the opening of a war"; and

5 WHEREAS, President Trump pardoned criminals with prior  
6 convictions for rape, sexual abuse of a minor, domestic  
7 violence, manslaughter, production of child sexual abuse  
8 material, and drug trafficking; and

9 WHEREAS, While President Trump describes these violent  
10 criminals as "patriots", they are anything but; therefore, be  
11 it

12 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
13 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
14 we condemn President Donald Trump's inexcusable pardons of his  
15 coconspirators and criminals convicted of attacking police  
16 officers, attacking our Capitol, and attacking our democracy;  
17 and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That as President Trump continues to grow his  
19 big lie about the 2020 election, the January 6, 2021  
20 insurrection, and his role in fomenting it, we affirm  
21 historical facts that no presidential pardons can rewrite:

1           (1) President Trump lost the 2020 Presidential  
2 Election;

3           (2) The President Trump supporters who stormed the  
4 Capitol on January 6, 2021 committed crimes and tried to  
5 stop the peaceful transfer of power; and

6           (3) President Trump's role in the January 6, 2021  
7 insurrection and his subsequent pardon of those involved  
8 will forever be his shameful legacy.