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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The House of Representatives recognizes the safety dilemma that replica guns pose to the public and the people who carry them; and

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WHEREAS, These replica guns are identical in appearance to real firearms and are indistinguishable from fully functioning firearms; and

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WHEREAS, Even law enforcement officers have a difficulty distinguishing them from real firearms; and

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WHEREAS, The inability of law enforcement officers to distinguish replica guns from real firearms has resulted in tragedy such as the incident in Cleveland, Ohio, where a 12-year-old boy, Tamir Rice, who had been reported to police for displaying a gun in a park and was shot dead by police as he reached for the replica gun; and

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WHEREAS, The problem of replica guns is a national issue and should be addressed by uniform legislation by Congress; therefore, be it

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RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we

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1 urge the Congress of the United States to enact legislation
2 that would require the manufacturers of replica guns to design
3 them to be clearly distinguishable from real firearms; and be
4 it further

5 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
6 delivered to President Donald Trump, U.S. Senate Majority
7 Leader Mitch McConnell, U.S. Senate Minority Leader Chuck
8 Schumer, U.S. Speaker of the House Paul Ryan, U.S. House of
9 Representatives Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, and all members
10 of the Illinois Congressional Delegation.