



HR0849

LRB101 21410 MST 72044 r

1

HOUSE RESOLUTION

2

WHEREAS, The Governor of Illinois declared all counties in the State of Illinois as a disaster area on March 9, 2020 (Gubernatorial Disaster Proclamation) in response to the outbreak of Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19); and

3

4

5

6

WHEREAS, The Governor has further responded to the epidemic with the issuance of a number of executive orders and has extended and modified these orders to at least May 31 of 2020; and

7

8

9

10

WHEREAS, Some municipalities, counties, and local governments within the State have sought to endorse and even enforce these measures and have adopted a number of their own restrictions; and

11

12

13

14

WHEREAS, These orders explicitly restricted the public's freedom of movement, limiting travel and regulating even the social interaction of its people, limited the gatherings of its citizens, and prohibited the assembly of its people for the purposes of faith and fellowship; and

15

16

17

18

19

WHEREAS, These measures went so far as to measure the essentialness of certain private enterprise throughout the State and, in effect, eliminated the operations of certain

20

21

1 businesses, created massive unemployment, and created  
2 shortages of necessary food, medical services, and materials;  
3 and

4 WHEREAS, The Governor's orders and the proclivity of some  
5 local governments to further these measures are a clear  
6 violation of the rights of individuals and the rights of free  
7 enterprise as preserved under both the United States  
8 Constitution and the Illinois Constitution; and

9 WHEREAS, These actions are an infringement on the  
10 constitutional rights of its citizens as Illinoisans and as  
11 Americans; and

12 WHEREAS, These actions by the Governor and some local  
13 officials of this State have decimated the State's economy and  
14 have either disrupted or destroyed the livelihoods of millions  
15 of its inhabitants, bankrupted thousands of businesses across  
16 the State, and may have irrevocably damaged the rights of its  
17 people and the State's economic future for decades to come;  
18 therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE  
20 HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that  
21 the General Assembly should take whatever steps necessary to  
22 deny any federal or State financial assistance to all

1 municipalities, counties, or other local governments in the  
2 State that have deprived its citizens of their constitutional  
3 rights through the enforcement of the unconstitutional orders  
4 and actions of the Governor during this crisis; and be it  
5 further

6       RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution should be  
7 delivered to the Governor of the State of Illinois, the  
8 Illinois Supreme Court, the Illinois Senate, the Attorney  
9 General of the State of Illinois, and the each member of the  
10 Illinois Congressional Delegation.