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1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

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2 WHEREAS, Transportation infrastructure is critical to the 3 economy and future growth of Illinois; and

WHEREAS, Disruptions to the distribution of goods have led to shortages and increased inflationary pressures; and

WHEREAS, The transportation equipment supply chain remains clogged following the stresses and production closures from the pandemic; notably, class 8 vehicle production has stalled in large part from the semiconductor chip shortage, which some sources estimate could end as early as this fall or as late as 2023; and

WHEREAS, Equipment producers are also facing delays and high prices for other source materials and components, such as rubber, steel, aluminum, tires, suspension parts, and wiring harnesses, which is keeping the cost of commercial trucks and trailers high; and

WHEREAS, The federal government should implement changes to eliminate restrictions that would impede the transport of goods; and

WHEREAS, There are literally hundreds of regulations that

- 1 apply to carriers, and the federal body that oversees
- 2 regulations is the Federal Motor Carrier Safety
- 3 Administration, which is part of the U.S. Department of
- 4 Transportation; therefore, be it
- 5 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
- 6 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
- 7 we urge the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration to
- 8 examine transportation restrictions in the United States to
- 9 assist with eliminating supply chain shortages; and be it
- 10 further
- 11 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
- 12 delivered to President Joe Biden and all members of the
- 13 Illinois Congressional Delegation.