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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, American farmers have long formed the backbone of
3 our nation's economy, providing food security, strengthening
4 trade, and sustaining rural communities across the United
5 States; and

6 WHEREAS, The agriculture industry, particularly soybean
7 farmers, have suffered significant financial hardship as a
8 result of Donald Trump's ongoing trade disputes and
9 retaliatory tariffs; and

10 WHEREAS, The United States Government under Donald Trump's
11 reckless directives has moved to extend a \$40 billion economic
12 aid package to Argentina, effectively doubling prior
13 commitments, despite Argentina being a direct competitor to
14 the United States in global soybean production and export; and

15 WHEREAS, Argentina has suspended its export taxes on
16 soybeans following Donald Trump's tariff disruptions, an
17 intentional move to drive down prices for U.S. soybeans and
18 erase decades of work by American farmers to build global
19 trust and trade; and

20 WHEREAS, Federal support for a foreign competitor defies
21 the interests of American farmers who continue to face reduced

1 prices, limited market access, and increased production costs
2 at home; and

3 WHEREAS, The use of U.S. taxpayer funds to strengthen
4 Argentina's agricultural industry at the expense of our own is
5 a betrayal and a gross misalignment of our country's
6 priorities; and

7 WHEREAS, This decision comes at a time when millions of
8 American families are struggling to put food on the table, due
9 to Donald Trump's actions to gut SNAP for more than 12% of all
10 Americans, the very program that ensures millions of children,
11 seniors, and working families can eat; and

12 WHEREAS, It is unconscionable and deeply deceitful for the
13 federal government to spend billions propping up a foreign
14 economy while American farmers and families here at home
15 shoulder the cost, watching their tax dollars go abroad as
16 grocery prices rise and family farms close; and

17 WHEREAS, America's farmers and working families must come
18 before foreign bailouts to strengthen domestic production,
19 ensure food access, and empower American farmers, as opposed
20 to rewarding foreign competitors at the expense of our own;
21 therefore, be it

1 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
2 HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
3 we denounce the federal government's \$40 billion bailout to
4 Argentina as a reckless misuse of taxpayer funds and a direct
5 insult to American farmers and millions of American families
6 struggling to afford food; and be it further

7 RESOLVED, That we urge President Donald Trump and the
8 United States Congress to immediately redirect these funds
9 toward supporting American agriculture, reopening the federal
10 government, and protecting American families' access to food.