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1 HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, United States House Resolution 2574, Building a
3 Health Care Workforce for the Future Act, is currently before
4 the 115th U.S. Congress; and

5 WHEREAS, U.S. H.R.2574 amends the Public Health Service Act
6 to require the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) to
7 award matching grants to enable states to implement scholarship
8 programs to ensure an adequate supply of health professionals;
9 and

10 WHEREAS, Under U.S. H.R.2574, scholarships must cover
11 tuition and educational expenses and provide a cost-of-living
12 stipend; and

13 WHEREAS, Scholarship recipients must agree to serve as
14 providers in shortage areas in the state for one year for each
15 year they receive the scholarship; and

16 WHEREAS, U.S. H.R.2574 allows HHS to award grants to assist
17 medical schools in developing and strengthening primary care
18 mentorship programs and cultivating leaders in primary care
19 among its students; and

20 WHEREAS, Numerous areas around the State and the country

1 are experiencing severe shortages of health care
2 professionals, making it difficult for many citizens to receive
3 adequate medical care; therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
5 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, THE SENATE
6 CONCURRING HEREIN, that we urge Congress to pass United States
7 House Resolution 2574 to help insure an adequate number of
8 health care professionals in all areas; and be it further

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