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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The Illinois General Assembly has worked in a bipartisan manner to address the growing heroin and opioid crisis throughout the State; and

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WHEREAS, The State of Illinois continues to see a significant increase in the number of drug overdoses every year; and

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WHEREAS, According to the Illinois Department of Public Health, the State has a drug overdose rate of 13.1 residents per 100,000 individuals; and

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WHEREAS, There were 2,300 drug related deaths in Illinois in 2016, including over 1,800 opioid related deaths; and

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WHEREAS, The Chicago metropolitan area ranks first in mentions of heroin use in emergency departments in the nation; and

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WHEREAS, The State of Illinois receives millions of dollars every year to help fight drug addiction, stop drug trafficking, and offer drug treatment; and

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WHEREAS, Local police departments across the State rely on

1 this funding to help keep our communities safe; and

2 WHEREAS, President Donald Trump's administration has
3 proposed a 95% cut to the Office of National Drug Control
4 Policy which leads the fight in combating the opioid crisis and
5 other drug use across the country; and

6 WHEREAS, The budget for the Office of National Drug Control
7 and Policy would receive zero funding for its high-intensity
8 drug trafficking and drug-free communities support programs;
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10 WHEREAS, The funding for these programs is essential to
11 efforts to reduce drug use and keep our communities safe;
12 therefore, be it

13 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
14 HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
15 urge President Trump and Congress to fully fund the programs
16 that will help local law enforcement address drug trafficking
17 and use in our communities; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
19 delivered to President Donald Trump, U.S. Senate Majority
20 Leader Mitch McConnell, U.S. Senate Minority Leader Chuck
21 Schumer, U.S. Speaker of the House Paul Ryan, U.S. House of

1 Representatives Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, and all members
2 of the Illinois Congressional Delegation.