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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The natural gas, oil, and fuels industries
3 contribute significantly to jobs in Illinois communities and
4 to state-of-the-art emissions reductions technologies; and

5 WHEREAS, The natural gas, oil, and fuels industries
6 support nearly 11 million jobs across the country, power the
7 nation's economy, and generate billions in revenue for the
8 federal government and state governments in rent, royalties,
9 and corporate and income tax payments, including \$14 billion
10 for state treasuries through severance taxes in 2019 alone;
11 and

12 WHEREAS, The natural gas, oil, and fuels industries
13 support more than 243,600 jobs in Illinois, which account for
14 more than \$14.9 billion in income; and

15 WHEREAS, The natural gas, oil, and fuels industries
16 contribute \$33.3 billion to the economy of Illinois; and

17 WHEREAS, The natural gas, oil, and fuels industries
18 contributed \$93.4 billion in revenues directly to support the
19 areas where the oil is produced in 11 years, and Illinois
20 relied on those payments to fund schools, infrastructure, and
21 other critical social services; and

1 WHEREAS, Direct industry jobs pay seven times the federal
2 minimum wage and 70 percent higher than the national average;
3 and

4 WHEREAS, Every direct job in the natural gas, oil, and
5 fuels industries support an additional 2.7 jobs in affiliated
6 industries, including lodging and restaurants within proximity
7 of these industries' operations; and

8 WHEREAS, The investments made by the natural gas, oil, and
9 fuels industries have led to a 15 percent decrease in
10 household energy costs in this country over the last decade,
11 while costs for food, education, and healthcare have
12 skyrocketed; and

13 WHEREAS, Those cheaper energy costs are crucial to working
14 families in our communities and across the country; and

15 WHEREAS, The natural gas, oil, and fuels industries should
16 not be prevented from recovering costs that other industries
17 are eligible to recover simply because they operate in a
18 different economic sector; and

19 WHEREAS, The U.S. tax code allows industries across the
20 manufacturing sector to recover costs related to job creation

1 and other operational investments; and

2 WHEREAS, These common tax mechanisms allow these
3 industries to create jobs, invest in our communities, deliver
4 the energy that working families rely on every day, and fund
5 critical education, infrastructure, and social service
6 programs; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE
8 HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
9 we oppose singling out the natural gas, oil, and fuels
10 industries by disproportionately increasing the tax burden on
11 them and on the constituents from the districts we represent;
12 and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be delivered to
14 all members of President Biden's Cabinet and all members of
15 the Capitol Press Corps.