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1 SENATE RESOLUTION WHEREAS, In 1991, 95 percent of the voters of Macedonia 2 3 voted for independence from Yugoslavia; and 4 WHEREAS, In 1993, the Republic of Macedonia became a member of the United Nations; and 5 WHEREAS, In 1994, the United States of America recognized 6 7 the Republic of Macedonia as a sovereign state, and the 8 Republic of Macedonia was recently cited and honored by 9 President Bush and the United States Department of State for its support in the war with Iraq; and 10 11 WHEREAS, There is a large contingency of Macedonians living 12 throughout the United States; therefore, be it RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-FOURTH GENERAL 13 14 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we support the rights 15 of Macedonians living throughout the Balkans to speak their language, to attend schools and churches offered in their 16 language, to practice their customs, to be able to call 17 themselves Macedonians, and to be granted all the civil and 18 human rights required by international law; and be it further 19 20 RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be presented to 21 the President and Vice President of the United States, to the 22 Speaker of the House of Representatives, to the Majority Leader of the Senate, and to each member of the Illinois Congressional 23

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Delegation.