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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The Illinois Primary Health Care Association is  
3 the sole trade association representing all of Illinois'  
4 Federally Qualified Health Centers; and

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WHEREAS, Federally Qualified Health Centers are nonprofit,  
6 community-owned and operated health providers serving  
7 uninsured and medically underserved people in our community;  
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10 WHEREAS, Illinois Federally Qualified Health Centers serve  
11 as the medical home for over 1 million people at more than 300  
12 sites statewide, providing access to primary, dental and mental  
health care; and

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14 WHEREAS, Federally Qualified Health Centers expand access  
15 to affordable, high quality, cost-effective health care to all  
16 people, regardless of ability to pay, and contain health care  
17 costs by fostering prevention and integrating the delivery of  
18 primary care with aggressive outreach, patient education,  
translation and other enabling services; and

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20 WHEREAS, In Illinois, 1.4 million individuals lack access  
to health insurance coverage; and

1           WHEREAS, The Illinois Primary Health Care Association has  
2 proposed a plan called "ACCESS ILLINOIS" to provide a medical  
3 home to 2 million insured and uninsured patients by 2015; and

4           WHEREAS, This plan will generate substantial benefits for  
5 the State of Illinois and all its residents; therefore, be it

6           RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE  
7 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
8 fully support the goals of the Illinois Primary Health Care  
9 Association's ACCESS ILLINOIS plan; and be it further

10          RESOLVED, That we stand together to do our part in  
11 preserving, strengthening, and expanding Federally Qualified  
12 Health Centers in our State; and be it further

13          RESOLVED, That the Illinois House of Representatives does  
14 hereby recognize the valued contributions of Federally  
15 Qualified Health Centers in expanding access to health care and  
16 improving the health and well being of the citizens of the  
17 great State of Illinois; and be it further

18          RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be sent  
19 to the Illinois Primary Health Care Association.