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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, In June of 2009, the Governor issued Executive Order 15, which allows collective bargaining by individual providers of home-based support services; and

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WHEREAS, The Home-Based Services Program provides services to individuals with severe disabilities who need help with daily living activities in order to remain in their communities and live as independently as possible; and

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WHEREAS, Many of the individual providers of home-based support services are parents who are providing services to their children; and

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WHEREAS, Continuity of care is important for profoundly disabled individuals who are served in the program; even a minor change in the care provided can have a significant negative impact on the disabled individual; and

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WHEREAS, The payments given to parents who provide services to their disabled children do not meet the cost of providing care; and

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WHEREAS, The organization of providers of home-based support services could decrease the resources that are

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1 available to parents to provide necessary care to their
2 disabled children; and

3 WHEREAS, Executive Order 15 does not have a regulatory
4 sunset date, and it could allow for repeat and continuous
5 elections; and

6 WHEREAS, On October 19, 2009, individual providers of
7 home-based support services rejected organizational efforts
8 with 66% of the vote; and

9 WHEREAS, Harris v. Quinn (656 F.3d 692) will be before the
10 United States Supreme Court on January 21, 2014, challenging
11 whether or not a state may compel personal care providers to
12 accept and financially support a private organization as their
13 exclusive representative; and

14 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois must listen to the will of
15 the individual providers of home-based support services;
16 therefore, be it

17 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
18 NINETY-EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that
19 we urge the Governor to reconsider Executive Order 15; and be
20 it further

1 RESOLVED, That we express our opinion that an objective
2 reconsideration of Executive Order 15 would lead to the
3 withdrawal of the gubernatorial order, as it does not reflect
4 the attitudes and desires of the individual providers of
5 home-based support services that the order sought to help; and
6 be it further

7 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
8 presented to the Governor of the State of Illinois.