

1 HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois recognizes the critical  
3 role quality public education plays in the lives of its  
4 citizens and the health of its economy; and

5 WHEREAS, The cost of higher education has increased  
6 dramatically in Illinois and throughout the nation in the  
7 past two decades; the State is committed to providing an  
8 affordable education to all students regardless of economic  
9 status; and

10 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois is proud of its esteemed  
11 public higher education system and will work to continue  
12 building its reputation; and

13 WHEREAS, The State of Illinois has long supported  
14 excellence in undergraduate and graduate education through  
15 competitively funding faculty salaries and other initiatives  
16 to make our system of higher education among the best in the  
17 nation; and

18 WHEREAS, The whole nation is experiencing financial  
19 strain and the State and its universities must find ways to  
20 fund their services; and

21 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-  
22 SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we  
23 urge our public higher education institutions, in this time  
24 of fiscal crisis, to refrain from raising student tuition and  
25 fees; and be it further

26 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be sent  
27 to the Board of Higher Education.