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1 HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. _____
2 BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE RESOLUTION
3 BY CHAIRPERSON KLEMME)

4 A House Concurrent Resolution to request that the
5 Congress of the United States maintain its
6 commitment to clean air and the ethanol industry,
7 by maintaining the oxygenate requirement in the
8 federal Clean Air Act that promotes the use of ethanol
9 in reformulated gasoline, and urging the United
10 States Environmental Protection Agency to resist
11 California's attempt to waive the oxygenate
12 requirement in that state.

13 WHEREAS, the federal Clean Air Act requires the use
14 of oxygenated motor vehicle fuels in order to improve
15 air quality in the nation's most polluted areas and to
16 reduce emissions of benzene and other ozone-forming
17 aromatic compounds associated with gasoline; and

18 WHEREAS, ethanol blended gasoline is an
19 environmentally safe oxygenate enhancer that may be
20 used in reformulated gasoline in order to comply with
21 the requirements of the federal Clean Air Act; and

22 WHEREAS, the Governor of California in Executive
23 Order D-5-99 has ordered the California Environmental
24 Protection Agency to work with Senator Feinstein and
25 the California congressional delegation to pursue a
26 permanent waiver of the federal Clean Air Act
27 requirements for oxygen content in reformulated
28 gasoline in California; and

29 WHEREAS, this nation's petroleum industry is
30 actively pursuing the removal of the oxygenate

1 requirement altogether from the United States
2 Environmental Protection Agency's Reformulated
3 Gasoline Program; and

4 WHEREAS, a federal waiver of the oxygenate
5 requirement in California, let alone nationwide
6 repeal, would be a devastating loss of a significant
7 opportunity for ethanol in this country; NOW
8 THEREFORE,

9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE
10 SENATE CONCURRING, That the Iowa General Assembly
11 encourages the Congress of the United States to
12 maintain its commitment to the federal Clean Air Act
13 by retaining its oxygenate requirements and by
14 implementing standards that ensure the opportunity for
15 the use of ethanol blended gasoline in Phase II of the
16 Reformulated Gasoline Program, thereby preserving the
17 natural environment, protecting the public health,
18 reducing this nation's dependence upon foreign
19 petroleum, and providing additional markets; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Iowa General
21 Assembly encourages the United States President, the
22 Administrator of the United States Environmental
23 Protection Agency, and the Congress of the United
24 States to oppose the waiver of the oxygen content
25 requirement from the United States Environmental
26 Protection Agency's Reformulated Gasoline Program in
27 California; and

28 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That a copy of this
29 Resolution be sent by the Chief Clerk of the House of
30 Representatives to the President of the United States

1 and the Administrator of the United States

2 Environmental Protection Agency; and

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this

4 Resolution be sent by the Chief Clerk of the House of

5 Representatives to the President of the Senate of the

6 United States, the Speaker of the House of

7 Representatives of the United States, the Majority and

8 Minority Leaders of the United States Senate, and the

9 Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States

10 House of Representatives; and

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this

12 Resolution be sent by the Chief Clerk of the House of

13 Representatives to Iowa's congressional delegation.

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