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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 141

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1 A Resolution urging the United States Congress to
2 formulate a national energy policy that will provide
3 for the long-term economic and national security needs
4 of the United States of America.

5 WHEREAS, a constant and dependable supply of
6 affordable energy is essential to the continued
7 success and well-being of the United States; and

8 WHEREAS, the provision of adequate energy supplies
9 is dependent upon a rational energy policy which
10 promotes conservation, prevents unreasonable taxation
11 that inhibits the competitiveness of United States
12 energy producers against foreign-owned firms, and
13 allows the full development of all domestic energy
14 sources in an ecologically sound manner; and

15 WHEREAS, the windfall profits tax confiscates the
16 capital critically necessary to conduct further
17 exploration of energy sources and has proven to be an
18 impediment to domestic energy production, a barrier to
19 the competitiveness of United States energy producers
20 in the world market, and an unfair penalty on
21 investors; and

22 WHEREAS, the windfall profits tax is a direct cause
23 of unnecessarily high retail energy prices and
24 increased dependence on foreign oil; and

25 WHEREAS, the national security and economic growth
26 of the United States is imperiled by our growing
27 dependence on foreign energy supplies that could be
28 reduced by the development of a wide array of domestic
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1 energy sources; and

2 WHEREAS, the exploration and development of all
3 viable reserves in the United States is critical not
4 only to our national economy but also to the
5 redevelopment of the Gulf Coast economies decimated by
6 natural disaster; and

7 WHEREAS, the technology exists to develop domestic
8 energy reserves in a manner that is compatible with
9 the highest ecological standards; NOW THEREFORE,

10 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
11 That the House of Representatives urges the United
12 States Congress to move forward with all due haste to
13 establish a national energy policy that ensures an
14 adequate supply of energy to our nation now and for
15 future generations; and

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an official copy of
17 this Resolution be prepared and sent to the President
18 of the United States, the President of the United
19 States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House
20 of Representatives, and the members of Iowa's
21 congressional delegation.

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