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## 8 **HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

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22 WHEREAS, the price of prescription drugs in the United States has  
23 increased significantly in each of the past several years; and

24 WHEREAS, a large percentage of the people who cannot afford to buy drugs  
25 needed to maintain a reasonable quality of life are children and the elderly  
26 who have no means to improve their financial situation; and

27 WHEREAS, many people in this country must make a choice of buying food  
28 or buying the drugs they need; and

29 WHEREAS, the states have very limited ability to take the necessary  
30 action to assure that prescription drugs are available and affordable to those  
31 who need them and only the U. S. Congress has the authority to accomplish this  
32 goal ,  
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34 NOW THEREFORE,

35 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-THIRD GENERAL  
36 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

1           That the Arkansas General Assembly hereby urges the United States  
2 Congress to take all reasonable action to assure that prescription drugs are  
3 available and affordable to all citizens.

4           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon adoption of this resolution, the Chief  
5 Clerk of the House of Representatives shall transmit a copy hereof to the  
6 President of the United States, to the presiding officers of the U. S. Senate  
7 and the U. S. House of Representatives, and to each member of the Arkansas  
8 Congressional Delegation.