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8 HOUSE RESOLUTION

9 REQUESTING THE HOUSE INTERIM COMMITTEE ON
10 AGRICULTURE AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STUDY
11 DISAPPEARING MINORITY FARMS.
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16 STUDY DISAPPEARING MINORITY FARMS.
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18 WHEREAS, the number of farms owned and operated by minority farmers is
19 declining in this state at an alarming rate; and
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21 WHEREAS, the loss of every farm means the displacement of another
22 family; and
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24 WHEREAS, agriculture provides the base for this state's economy; and
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26 WHEREAS, a concerted program of investigation and education is
27 necessary to reverse the present trend of declining minority presence in
28 agriculture; and
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30 WHEREAS, the University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff is uniquely situated
31 to study the changing structure of Arkansas' agricultural community,
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33 NOW THEREFORE,

34 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-THIRD GENERAL
35 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:
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1 That the House Interim Committee on Agriculture and Economic
2 Development is requested to study the steadily diminishing minority
3 participation in farming in Arkansas and the potential for the University of
4 Arkansas at Pine Bluff to contribute to understanding and remediating the
5 present trend.