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8 **HOUSE RESOLUTION**

9 REQUESTING THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES AND  
10 THE CONGRESS TO SECURE OUR NATION'S BORDERS AND  
11 TO DEVELOP A COMPREHENSIVE IMMIGRATION POLICY.

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21 WHEREAS, it is the duty of the federal government to secure its borders  
22 and protect the security of its citizens; and

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24 WHEREAS, the growing number of illegal aliens currently in the United  
25 States demonstrates that existing immigration laws and enforcement measures  
26 are not sufficient to stop illegal aliens from crossing our borders; and

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28 WHEREAS, the failure of federal immigration law and practices to  
29 adequately address illegal immigration causes a drain on limited state  
30 resources for Arkansas' educational, social services, judicial, law  
31 enforcement, and penal systems, and thereby causing an economic hardship on  
32 the State of Arkansas and its citizens; and

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34 WHEREAS, the failure of federal immigration law and practices causes  
35 our citizens to question, if the federal government cannot secure our borders  
36 from illegal immigration, how can our nation secure its borders to protect



1 its citizens from foreign terrorism and the importation of illegal drugs; and  
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3 WHEREAS, the failure of federal immigration law and practices has  
4 caused Arkansas citizens and the citizens of other states to look to state  
5 and local government to solve immigration problems that can only be  
6 adequately addressed by a comprehensive and vigorous federal effort to secure  
7 our borders and to provide foreign workers and visitors reasonable access to  
8 our country,  
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10 NOW THEREFORE,

11 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-SIXTH GENERAL  
12 ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:  
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14 That the members of the House of Representatives respectfully request  
15 that President George W. Bush and the members of Congress take swift action  
16 to enhance and enforce federal immigration law in order to provide a  
17 comprehensive national resolution to the illegal immigration problem that  
18 exists in Arkansas and throughout the nation, and that federal action  
19 include, but not be limited to:

20 (1) Securing our nation’s borders by stopping unlawful entry that is  
21 now made by many means of transportation;

22 (2) Developing a guest worker program that efficiently and quickly  
23 processes applicants for guest worker status while adequately screening  
24 applicants for criminal backgrounds and employability;

25 (3) Developing a guest worker taxation system that, in addition to  
26 emergency services, would be used to provide limited basic health care  
27 services to guest workers;

28 (4) Cooperating with and assisting other countries in developing  
29 procedures and databases in those countries necessary for criminal background  
30 checks, the listing of each citizenship held, the employment skills, and the  
31 educational background of a visitor or immigrant to the United States; and

32 (5) Cooperating with the State of Arkansas and other states in order  
33 to address current problems faced in the states by the illegal immigration  
34 that now exists.  
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36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon adoption of this resolution, the Chief

1 Clerk of the House of Representatives shall forward copies of this resolution  
2 to President George W. Bush, the Speaker of the United States House of  
3 Representatives and the President of the United States Senate, and to all the  
4 members of the Arkansas congressional delegation with the request that this  
5 resolution be officially entered in the Congressional Record.

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