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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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23 *WHEREAS, Attorney General Eric Holder recently remarked that the Obama*
24 *administration will push for the reinstatement of the 1994 ban on "assault*
25 *weapons" and ammunition magazines; and*

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27 *WHEREAS, Change.gov, the Obama administration transition website, says*
28 *that an Obama administration would "support making the expired federal*
29 *Assault Weapons Ban permanent"; and*

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31 *WHEREAS, the national crime rate was falling before the "assault*
32 *weapons" ban, fell during the period of the "assault weapons" ban, and*
33 *continued to fall after the "assault weapons" ban had expired, demonstrating*
34 *that the "assault weapons" ban has little effect on the rate of crime; and*

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36 *WHEREAS, an Urban Institute study found that "the banned weapons and*



1 *magazines were never used in more than a modest fraction of all gun*
2 *murders"; and*

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4 *WHEREAS, many citizens of the State of Arkansas are lawful owners of*
5 *these types of firearms and ammunition magazines and use them to hunt, shoot*
6 *in competition, and defend their families,*

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8 *NOW THEREFORE,*
9 *BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE EIGHTY-SEVENTH GENERAL*
10 *ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:*

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12 *That the House of Representatives oppose any effort to reinstate the*
13 *1994 ban on "assault weapons", and urge President Obama and Congress to*
14 *oppose any additional restriction on our Second Amendment rights.*

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16 *BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the chief clerk of the House of*
17 *Representatives distribute a copy of this resolution to the President of the*
18 *United States, the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the*
19 *United States House of Representatives, both the Speaker of the House of*
20 *Representatives and the President of the Senate for each state's legislature*
21 *of the United States of America, and each member of the Arkansas*
22 *Congressional Delegation.*

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24 */s/ Woods*

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