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10 **A RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE SELLING OF HEALTH INSURANCE ACROSS STATE**
20 **LINES**

30 **WHEREAS:** Under Federal Law, health insurance cannot be sold across State lines, significantly
40 reducing competition and driving premiums for people up; and,

50 **WHEREAS:** Instead of competing in one national health insurance market, health insurance companies
60 are competing in fifty different State markets, which results in less competition and
70 higher premiums; and,

80 **WHEREAS:** Competition in the national auto insurance market has resulted in lower rates and more
90 competition for people in every State due to the fact that the number of competing
100 companies is higher; and,

110 **WHEREAS:** While there may be problems with America's healthcare system, a smaller and more
120 gradual change such as this while increase the availability and decrease the price of
130 healthcare, resulting in a greater number of people being insured, while also reducing the
140 opposition of the American People, who are against broad and sweeping changes.

150 **THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Maryland Student Legislature urges the United States
160 Congress to pass and President Obama to sign Legislation which would create a national
170 market for health insurance.

180 **MANDATES:**
190 President Barack Obama
200 Nancy Pelosi, Speaker of the House
210 Harry Reid, Senate Majority Leader
220 Mitch McConnell, Senate Minority Leader
230 Steny Hoyer, House Majority Leader
240 John Boehner, House Minority Leader

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