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Missouri Resolution

This resolution was filed on May 13 by State Rep. Juanita Head Walton (D) with the Missouri House of Representatives. Rep. John L. Bowman (D) and Rep. Craig C. Bland (D) are co-sponsors.

A Resolution Urging Congress To Take Emergency Actions To Save the Economy and the Auto Industry

WHEREAS, an increasing number and variety of relevant specialists have been joining an international chorus which is warning that an ongoing, systemic economic collapse of the world's monetary system has now entered its terminal phase; and

WHEREAS, certain stop-gap actions must now be implemented to forestall the irreparable damage to our physical economy, which is typified by the presently accelerating crisis of the United States automobile industry; and

WHEREAS, any liquidation of the present structure of the physical productive capacities of the auto industry, especially its machine tool sector, would mean both the end of the United States of America as a leading physical economic power, and related kinds of chain-reaction damage to the world economy as a whole; and

WHEREAS, government must now be mustered to act in accord with the implied constitutional obligation of our modern nation state to promote the general welfare, both for our own republic and in concerted action among nations. Unless corrected, the present crisis would now become far worse than what was experienced in Europe or the Americas during the Great Depression of the 1930s; and

WHEREAS, some of the most essential immediate remedies required must be set into motion through included actions consistent with the combined explicit and implicit Constitutional powers of advice and consent of the United States Senate; since the United States Senate is presently the most appropriate instrument for setting into motion the indispensable steps of remedial action, despite manifest reluctance of some circles of the Presidency to grasp the urgency of the present national and world crisis; and

WHEREAS, our constitutional system, known as the American system of political economy, is premised implicitly on the included role of a system consistent with the notion of national banking, which provides our form of constitutional government with the power of its Executive acting in concert with the separate and distinct authorities of the House and Senate to create relatively vast masses of long-term credit for the immediate and long-term expansion of our national



Missouri State Rep. Juanita Head Walton introduced Lyndon LaRouche at a press conference in St. Louis on Nov. 18, 2003.

economy; and

WHEREAS, the creation of new productive capital can be accomplished, under our system, without interference by private financial interests; and

WHEREAS, under our constitutional system, this outpouring of debt-based long term capital must be used chiefly not only to create expanded productive employment, but also to create the long-term capital investment in improved basic economic infrastructure, agriculture, and manufacturing; and

WHEREAS, the principal interest and objective of the United States government in the current panic among leading North America automobile manufacturers is to ensure that the continued employment of the labor force associated with that industry remain as functioning, each and all in their present localities of employment; and

WHEREAS, the loss of the tool-making and related capabilities of that sector of the industry would be a strategic disaster of incalculable chain reaction consequences within our nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, the relationship between the machine tool and related elements, and the much larger mass of technicians and operatives employed downstream in the process is an integral relationship, creating situations whereby the employment of the one cannot be separated from employment of the other; and in which the ratio of less-skilled operatives to highly-skilled machine tool and related technicians similarly cannot be reduced; and

WHEREAS, the only remedy is diversification of the productive potential of the auto industry to a broader mixture of suitable forms of production, shifting large portions of current employment into the domain of essential capital goods of production and basic economic infrastructure; and

WHEREAS, whatever the disposition of the relevant trou-

bled financial corporations in the auto and related industries, the productive potential of the industrial labor force of the industry must be held together intact in their present locations making it necessary for the federal government to create the interim vehicle under which the continuity of physical operations can be continued; and

WHEREAS, the relevant choices of alternative markets for this purpose are chiefly in the category of basic economic infrastructure, such as the need to repair, expand, and improve our national railway systems, to maintain and improve our water management systems, and to maintain other urgently needed infrastructure projects; and

WHEREAS, these actions will result not only in saving our existing industry but also in the creation of large new areas of employment of our citizenry in infrastructure and manufacturing, comparable to the best of the New Deal programs that rescued the nation and the world from the last Depression.

NOW, THEREFORE, *be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Missouri:*

Section 1. The Congress of the United States is urged to intervene on behalf of the national and related interests to ensure that the productive potential of the automobile industry, with its featured high technology and machine tool capability, be held together in place and intact.

Section 2. The United States government must intervene to vastly expand the construction and maintenance of infrastructure projects and related industries in the nation. The impact of this intervention on the State of Missouri will be to provide tens of thousands of productive jobs repairing our infrastructure. At least ten million jobs could be created nationally in these endeavors, while at the same time maintaining the auto production of the General Motors Corporation, of the Ford Motor Company and of their respective subsidiaries. This initiative will restore our tax base and increase the standard of living, in physical terms of our citizenry.

Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives shall send a copy of this Resolution to each member of the United States Senate and the United States House of Representatives from the State of Missouri.

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare properly inscribed copies of this resolution for each member of the Missouri Congressional Delegation.

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This House Concurrent Resolution 0013 (2005) was filed on May 18 by Michigan State Rep. LaMar Lemmons III (D), as a concurrent resolution with the Michigan House of Representatives and the Michigan Senate. LaMar Lemmons III was joined by 19 Democratic Representatives as cosponsors.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 13

A concurrent resolution to urge the Congress of the United States to take every possible action to promote and diversify the automotive and machine-tool sectors of our national economy.

WHEREAS, An increasing number and variety of relevant specialists are warning that the collapse of the national economy could occur if certain stop-gap and long-term actions are not adopted and implemented to forestall the threats to our economy from the problems associated with the automotive and machine-tool sectors of our economy. Indeed, the loss of the physical capabilities of the automotive industry, and especially its machine-tool sector, could mean the end of America's leadership as a world economic power; and

WHEREAS, Government has an obligation to promote the economy through the creation of new capital investment, which will result in the expansion of employment opportunities and help jump-start long-term capital investment by private investors. We must ensure the continued viability of our automotive and machine-tool industries. The loss of these vital anchors of our economy would be a strategic disaster with incalculable chain-reaction consequences for our nation and the world; and

WHEREAS, One of the key options is Federal capital investment in diversification of the productive potential of the automotive and machine-tool industries into a broader mixture of production. Our nation needs to shift into the domain of essential capital goods and economic infrastructure, such as the repair, expansion, and improvement of our national railway systems; maintenance and improvement of water management systems; and the development of other urgently needed infrastructure projects. The result of this will be to save existing manufacturing jobs and create large new areas of employment in infrastructure and manufacturing for our citizenry in a manner comparable to the best of the New Deal programs that rescued the nation and the world from the ravages of the Great Depression;

NOW, THEREFORE, Be it resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), that we urge the Congress of the United States to take every possible action to promote and diversify the automotive and machine-tool sectors of our national economy; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and the members of the Michigan congressional delegation.

Cosponsors of the concurrent resolution are: LaMar Lemmons, Jr., Frank Accavitti, Stephen Adamini, Pam Byrnes, Marsha Cheeks, Brenda Clack, George Cushingberry, Jr., John Garfield, John Gleason, Lee Gonzales, Hoon-Yung Hopgood, Alexander C Lipsey, Steve Tobocman, Mary Waters, Lisa Wojno, Ed Clemente, Michael C Murphy, Gino Polidori, and Paula Zelenko