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7 **SENATE RESOLUTION**

8 TO SUPPORT THE UNITED STATES-UKRAINE FOUNDATION OPEN  
9 WORLD PROGRAM AND ENCOURAGE UKRAINE TO PROMOTE THE  
10 ENVIRONMENTALLY SAFE DEVELOPMENT OF ITS GAS RESERVES  
11 TO ADVANCE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND ENERGY  
12 INDEPENDENCE OF ITS PEOPLE.  
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15 **Subtitle**

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17 WORLD PROGRAM AND ENCOURAGE UKRAINE TO  
18 PROMOTE THE ENVIRONMENTALLY SAFE  
19 DEVELOPMENT OF ITS GAS RESERVES.  
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22 WHEREAS, Ukraine is recognized as an independent nation seeking a path  
23 toward democratic reforms and economic development to further the wellbeing  
24 of its 44,855,000 citizens; and  
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26 WHEREAS, Ukraine shares much in common with the citizens of Arkansas  
27 towards achieving its goals; and  
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29 WHEREAS, the United States Energy Information Administration in an  
30 April 2011 report prepared by Advanced Resources International Inc. estimates  
31 that Ukraine has 39 trillion cubic feet of proved natural gas reserves; and  
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33 WHEREAS, the report identified two groups of countries in which it  
34 found that the development of shale gas from outside of the United States may  
35 appear most attractive; and  
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1           WHEREAS, the report included Ukraine in a group of countries that are  
2 currently highly dependent on gas imports, that have at least some gas  
3 production infrastructure, and have estimated shale gas resources that are  
4 substantial relative to their current gas consumption; and

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6           WHEREAS, the United States Energy Information Administration itself  
7 estimated that Ukraine, in addition to its established reserves, may have 42  
8 trillion cubic feet of shale gas resources technically recoverable from 197  
9 trillion cubic feet of risked shale gas in place; and

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11           WHEREAS, Arkansas has been a leader in technological advances for shale  
12 gas exploration and production within a regulatory framework that is  
13 protective of the environment while encouraging economic development, and is  
14 willing to work with and support Ukraine’s efforts,

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16 NOW, THEREFORE,

17 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE EIGHTY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE  
18 STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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20           THAT the Senate does hereby congratulate the participants of the United  
21 States-Ukraine Foundation Open World program for the warm and professional  
22 representation of their communities while in Arkansas; and

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24 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Senate encourages the nation of Ukraine and  
25 its political subdivisions to further promote the environmentally safe  
26 development of the Oleske shale gas field in western Ukraine, and the  
27 Ukrainian Lublin Basin and the Dnieper-Donets Basin in order to advance the  
28 economic development of Ukraine and to secure the energy independence of the  
29 people of Ukraine.

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