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**HOUSE  
RESOLUTION No. \_\_\_\_\_**

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1           A HOUSE RESOLUTION urging the United States  
2 Congress to take such actions as are necessary to enact a policy  
3 that supports United States businesses and workers while  
4 penalizing global polluters.

5           *Whereas, Chinese government-owned industry is an arm of*  
6 *the Communist Party and strives to increase its influence over*  
7 *the global economy by pursuing predatory, unfair trade*  
8 *practices designed to steal intellectual property and destroy*  
9 *competition from the United States;*

10           *Whereas, China's dominance of key components of the*  
11 *global supply chain, including those related to critical*  
12 *minerals, represents a threat to the United States' economic*  
13 *security and economic and social development;*

14           *Whereas, China, by far the world's biggest polluter, accounts*

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1 *for over 30% of global carbon dioxide pollution and subsidizes*  
2 *its exports by not imposing or enforcing reasonable*  
3 *environmental and labor standards;*

4 *Whereas, The United States has eliminated more carbon*  
5 *pollution than any other country in the last 15 years, and its*  
6 *economy is 44% more carbon-efficient than the world average;*

7 *Whereas, United States manufacturers are more efficient in*  
8 *nearly every industry, from steel to pharmaceuticals to*  
9 *automobiles, and yet are forced to compete with companies in*  
10 *China and elsewhere that face few limits on how much they*  
11 *pollute;*

12 *Whereas, Goods produced in China, on average, generate*  
13 *three times the carbon pollution of equivalent goods made in*  
14 *the United States, and goods produced in Russia emit four*  
15 *times the pollution;*

16 *Whereas, Many rural Americans are being left behind*  
17 *economically, suffering from severe poverty, poor health care,*  
18 *and few economic opportunities, making them increasingly*  
19 *vulnerable to crime and the opioid crisis;*

20 *Whereas, Manufacturing jobs play a more important role in*  
21 *the rural economy than in urban areas, accounting for a*  
22 *greater share of economic development;*

23 *Whereas, United States trade policy, which has given foreign*  
24 *polluters an unfair advantage over the past two decades, has*  
25 *encouraged economic restructuring across rural America that*  
26 *has resulted in manufacturing employment falling by nearly*  
27 *30%;*

28 *Whereas, China has been the major beneficiary of this*  
29 *poorly designed federal trade policy at the expense of U.S.*  
30 *industry;*

31 *Whereas, Rewarding U.S. firms for their environmental*  
32 *performance would bolster domestic manufacturing, generate*  
33 *well-paying jobs, and reduce dependence on imports from*  
34 *high-emitting producers like Russia and China; and*



1        *Whereas, Proposed Environmental Protection Agency*  
2        *regulations would do the opposite and undermine America's*  
3        *steel industry, hurt steel manufacturers and steelworkers, and*  
4        *ship steel jobs overseas: Therefore,*

5                *Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the*  
6                *General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

7        SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives  
8        urges the United States Congress to take such actions as are  
9        necessary to enact a policy that holds high-polluting countries  
10       like China and Russia accountable for their pollution and  
11       promotes American economic development and the rebuilding  
12       of United States supply chains, particularly in rural  
13       communities, by rewarding American businesses and workers  
14       for their superior environmental performance while penalizing  
15       global polluters.

16       SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of  
17       Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to the  
18       presiding officers of the Senate and the House of  
19       Representatives of the Congress of the United States and to  
20       each member of the Indiana Congressional delegation.

