

A RESOLUTION honoring the August 2013 resolution of the Nevada State AFL-CIO addressing the Affordable Care Act passed by Congress and President Obama.

WHEREAS, on August 21, 2013, the Nevada State AFL-CIO passed a resolution at its annual convention calling on Congress and President Obama to undertake immediate changes to the implementation and regulation of the Affordable Care Act (ACA); and

WHEREAS, the text of the resolution states as follows: that "for two years we have sought from the Administration and Congress interpretations to the ACA that merely allows us keep the health plans we currently have: nothing more, nothing less. No special treatment. To date, the Administration has postured on proposals to address the problem, but no proposal to date will actually solve the problem. Our health plans only get worse"; and

WHEREAS, the text of the resolution also states that the Obama Administration has "demonstrated that they have the authority and power to make dozens of other corrections to the ACA"; and

WHEREAS, the Nevada State AFL-CIO passed its resolution just hours after then U.S. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nevada, addressed the union during which, according to press reports, Reid made no mention of the Affordable Care Act; and

WHEREAS, Kentucky's Congressional delegation has been steadfast in their opposition to the provisions of the Affordable Care Act and worked tirelessly to implement immediate changes to the implementation and regulation of the Affordable Care Act; and

WHEREAS, United Parcel Service, a major Kentucky employer, has informed its employees they can no longer offer spousal coverage to those able to obtain health insurance elsewhere. UPS partially blamed the Affordable Care Act for the change, which is estimated to affect roughly 15,000 employee spouses. According to UPS, the rising cost of health care "combined with the costs associated with the Affordable Care Act, have made it increasingly difficult to continue providing the same level of health care benefits

to our employees at an affordable cost";

NOW, THEREFORE,

*Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:*

➔Section 1. The House of Representatives expresses its solidarity with the Nevada State AFL-CIO and the immediate need for Congress and President Obama to undertake changes to the implementation and regulation of the Affordable Care Act.

➔Section 2. When the House of Representatives adjourns this day, it does so in honor of the resolution passed by the Nevada State AFL-CIO at its 2013 annual convention.

➔Section 3. The Clerk of the House of Representatives is directed to transmit a copy of this Resolution to the Nevada State AFL-CIO, 1891 Whitney Mesa Drive, Henderson, Nevada 89014.