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**Representative Daniels
Cosponsor: Representative Book**

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To urge the President of the United States to direct 1
the United States Department of Energy to ensure 2
the continuation of the uranium enrichment work 3
being developed by the USEC, Inc., at its Piketon, 4
Ohio plant by granting USEC's application for a 5
federal loan guarantee. 6

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE STATE
OF OHIO (THE SENATE CONCURRING):**

WHEREAS, USEC, Inc. is a global and leading supplier of 7
enriched uranium fuel for commercial nuclear power plants; and 8

WHEREAS, USEC currently operates the American Centrifuge 9
Plant, a demonstration facility in Piketon, Ohio, that develops 10
next generation uranium enrichment technology; and 11

WHEREAS, The United States Department of Energy (USDOE) 12
currently is considering USEC's application for a federal loan 13
guarantee for its American Centrifuge Plant and an expansion of 14
its nuclear enrichment work there; and 15

WHEREAS, USDOE has agreed to delay a final review of USEC's 16
loan guarantee application for a period of at least six months to 17
allow USEC to meet required technical and financial milestones and 18
allow an independent engineer to provide technical guidance 19

demonstrating that the technology can be deployed at a commercial 20
scale; and 21

WHEREAS, USEC and the General Assembly believe that the 22
American Centrifuge Plant project will meet the financial and 23
technical requirements of the USDOE's Loan Guarantee Program as 24
well as President Obama's policy objectives for energy security 25
and climate change goals and that the plant, through specific 26
reliability tests developed during this review period, will be 27
able to demonstrate with confidence that it is technologically 28
ready to transition to commercial operation; and 29

WHEREAS, USDOE's failure to grant a loan guarantee will force 30
USEC, at a critical time in Ohio's economy, to demobilize its 31
American Centrifuge Plant uranium enrichment project jeopardizing 32
the expansion efforts at the Piketon plant and resulting in job 33
losses that will directly affect nearly 2,000 current USEC and 34
contractor employees in Ohio and several other states and 35
indirectly impact thousands more; now therefore be it 36

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 128th General Assembly 37
of the State of Ohio, urge the President of the United States to 38
direct the Secretary of USDOE to use this additional review period 39
for careful deliberation and as an opportunity to avert the 40
demobilization of the American Centrifuge Plant in Piketon, Ohio, 41
and allow the continued development of its uranium enrichment 42
technology by awarding USEC the federal loan guarantee for which 43
it applied; and be it further 44

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives 45
transmit duly authenticated copies of this resolution to the 46
President of the United States, the Secretary of the United States 47
Department of Energy, the members of the Ohio Congressional 48
delegation, the Governor of Ohio, the Board of Pike County 49
Commissioners, and the news media of Ohio. 50