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**Senator Jordan  
Cosponsor: Senator Jones**

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**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

To urge the United States Congress to investigate 1  
whether federal agencies have engaged in 2  
unconstitutional surveillance of United States 3  
citizens and to take appropriate action on its 4  
findings. 5

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

WHEREAS, During the past seven years, the National Security 6  
Agency allegedly has obtained secret court orders to require 7  
telephone companies such as Verizon Communications to provide the 8  
Agency with daily logs of all telephone communications, whether 9  
between the United States and abroad or wholly within the United 10  
States, including local calls; and 11

WHEREAS, During the past six years, under the PRISM program, 12  
the National Security Agency allegedly has obtained secret court 13  
orders to require internet companies such as Google, Facebook, and 14  
Apple to provide the Agency with direct access to a wide range of 15  
user information, including communications sent by American 16  
citizens to persons outside the United States; and 17

WHEREAS, The Fourth Amendment to the United States 18  
Constitution guarantees the right of the people to be free from 19

unreasonable searches and seizures and prohibits the government 20  
from issuing a warrant without probable cause and a particular 21  
description of the place to be searched and the persons or things 22  
to be seized; now therefore be it 23

RESOLVED, That we, the members of the 130th General Assembly 24  
of the State of Ohio, urge the United States Congress to 25  
investigate whether the National Security Agency or any other 26  
federal agency has engaged in unconstitutional surveillance of 27  
United States citizens; and be it further 28

RESOLVED, That, if any federal agency has conducted 29  
unconstitutional surveillance of United States citizens, we urge 30  
Congress immediately to defund and dismantle the programs used to 31  
do so and to order that any illegally obtained data, records, or 32  
personal information regarding United States citizens be 33  
destroyed; and be it further 34

RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the Senate transmit duly 35  
authenticated copies of this resolution to the Speaker and the 36  
Clerk of the United States House of Representatives, the President 37  
Pro Tempore and the Secretary of the United States Senate, the 38  
members of the Ohio Congressional delegation, and the news media 39  
of Ohio. 40