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1 A House Joint Resolution concerning

2 **Federal Welfare and Rental Assistance Programs**

3 FOR the purpose of recognizing certain flaws in the welfare system and certain federal
4 rental assistance programs; urging Congress to change and improve these programs;
5 and generally relating to certain welfare and rental assistance programs.

6 WHEREAS, The State of Maryland recognizes that the current welfare system has
7 numerous disincentives for the maintenance of a two-parent family unit;and

8 WHEREAS, The system largely ignores the role and responsibilities offathers; and

9 WHEREAS, The welfare system should reinforce families and a sense ofparental
10 responsibility in both parents; and

11 WHEREAS, Federal rental assistance programs create incentives for people not to
12 work; and

13 WHEREAS, Assistance programs should reward people for working instead of
14 penalizing them for it; now, therefore, be it

15 RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Congress
16 should change federal welfare and rental assistance programs to reward work and family
17 unity; and be it further

18 RESOLVED, That a copy of this Resolution be forwarded by the Department of
19 Legislative Reference to the Maryland Congressional Delegation: Senators Paul S.
20 Sarbanes and Barbara A. Mikulski, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510; and
21 Representatives Wayne T. Gilchrest, Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr., Benjamin L.Cardin, Albert
22 R. Wynn, Steny Hamilton Hoyer, Roscoe G. Bartlett, Kweisi Mfume, and Constance A.
23 Morella, House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515.