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By Committee on Energy and Environment

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A RESOLUTION urging the United States Congress to oppose the 1 2 assumptions and implementation of the President's climate action 3 plan. WHEREAS, On June 25, 2013, President Barack Obama issued "The 4 President's Climate Action Plan," which has been followed by proposed 5 6 actions to be taken by the United States Environmental Protection Agency in support of this Plan; and 7 8 WHEREAS. The Plan suggests that the activities of mankind are such 9 that carbon pollution occurs as a result of the emission of the compound 10 known as carbon dioxide, CO₂, which is fundamentally and chemically distinct from elemental carbon; and 11 12 WHEREAS, The Environmental Protection Agency believes the 13 agency has just cause to execute the Plan, and in so doing promulgate 14 dozens, if not hundreds of regulations related to the agency's believed 15 responsibility to mitigate modeled weather and climatic events; and WHEREAS, The core of the Plan is focused on climate management, 16 17 believed to be necessary due to the emissions of carbon dioxide from various point and non-point sources largely related to the combustion of 18 19 fossil fuels; and 20 WHEREAS, The Environmental Protection Agency asserts that 21 extreme weather events are due to anthropogenic CO2 emissions and 22 must be controlled: and 23 WHEREAS, The climate of planet earth is somewhat predictable, 24 from season to season, year to year, and decade to decade, due to cyclic 25 variations that have been observed for hundreds, and in some cases 26 thousands, of years; and 27 WHEREAS, The contents of the Plan are based on multiple erroneous 28 assumptions and models that have been substantially refuted by a 29 preponderance of scientific evidence; and WHEREAS, The gaseous substance CO2 is known to produce very 30 desirable effects upon plant life, and is also known to be a colorless, 31 32 odorless, tasteless and harmless component that is essential to earth's 33 atmosphere; and 34 WHEREAS, Substantial amounts and types of real-data evidence 35 clearly indicate a complete disconnect between anthropogenic emissions 36 of CO₂ and the temperature of the earth; and

1 WHEREAS, Global sea level has been steadily increasing in most 2 areas, with no association to human activity, due in part to continental 3 glaciers that have been melting for hundreds of years as a result of the 4 undeniable fact that the earth has been engaged in a warming period in 5 relation to the most recent of many interglacial periods; and

6 WHEREAS, The sea ice of both the Arctic region of the northern 7 hemisphere and the Antarctic region of the southern hemisphere have 8 increased and reached record extents since satellite observation of these 9 regions began in 1979, all while the concentration of CO₂ in the earth's 10 atmosphere has increased from approximately 340 parts per million to 11 400 ppm; and

WHEREAS, There has been no increase in the number of tropical
 storms or hurricanes worldwide since 1971, regardless of the material
 increase of CO₂; and

15 WHEREAS, There has been no increase in the number of F3 or 16 greater tornadoes during the period of 1954 to 2013, and in fact, the 17 number of tornados has been trending downward since 1974; and

WHEREAS, The most severe droughts in the contiguous United
States occurred during the periods 1930-1942 and 1953-1960, with
materially wetter periods dominating the past five decades; and

WHEREAS, If allowed to become effective, the proposed rules and regulations resulting from EPA actions would be very detrimental to the economy of the United States as well as the State of Kansas: Now, therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Kansas: That based on these, as well as other highly credible lines of actual scientific data, we urge the United States Congress to take action to materially counteract the factually incorrect, misinformed actions currently being considered by the EPA related to the Climate Action Plan; and

31 *Be it further resolved:* That the Chief Clerk of the House of 32 Representatives shall send an enrolled copy of this resolution to the 33 majority leader of the United States Senate, the speaker of the United 34 States House of Representatives and each member of the Kansas 35 congressional delegation.