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2001 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 36

October 8, 2001 – Introduced by Representatives Schooff, Krawczyk, Black, Gronemus, Turner, Plouff, Ryba, Lassa and J. Lehman. Referred to Committee on Economic Development.

Relating to: urging Congress to enact the Steel Revitalization Act of 2001.

Whereas, the steel industry is in jeopardy of being eliminated from the United States of America through imported and illegal dumping of steel in our country; and Whereas, foreign countries that sell government–subsidized steel at a cheaper rate than steel produced in the United States help their own economies improve by dumping below–market–priced steel while putting American steelworkers out of work; and

Whereas, existing laws regarding steel dumping are not enforced nor strict enough in this country, forcing 16 U.S. steelmakers to file for bankruptcy protection and resulting in the loss of thousands of steelworker jobs; and

Whereas, the American steel industry plays a role in the national defense of our country; and

Whereas, the U.S. House of Representatives has drafted a bill, H.R. 808, the Steel Revitalization Act of 2001, which addresses these concerns and promotes

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positive changes to the way in which steel is imported into the United States; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the assembly, That the members of the Wisconsin assembly express their full support of H.R. 808 and urge Wisconsin's congressional delegation to support the passage of this legislation; and, be it further

Resolved, That the assembly chief clerk shall provide a copy of this resolution to the president and secretary of the U.S. Senate, to the speaker and clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives, and to each member of the congressional delegation from this state attesting the adoption of this resolution by the 2001 assembly of the state of Wisconsin.

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