



## 2009 ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 6

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1     **Relating to:** expressing the sense of the assembly that Congress should invest in the  
2             manufacturing sector, including the domestic auto industry.

3             Whereas, as the country copes with economic challenges beyond those this  
4     generation has experienced, a host of ideas and proposals have been put forth. The  
5     complexities of the problems before us are mirrored in the variety of provisions  
6     incorporated or suggested for the stimulus legislation working its way through the  
7     Congress. Many valid projects are in the mix, including those rebuilding our  
8     infrastructure. In this national discussion, however, it is imperative that  
9     appropriate focus remain on the cornerstone of our economy and our national  
10    defense—the manufacturing sector; and

11            Whereas, the rise of the domestic auto industry over the last century has not  
12    only fueled the manufacturing might of our nation, it has also contributed  
13    enormously to the growth of the middle class. Less obvious are the ways in which  
14    the auto industry continues to spur technological advances. Today's moves to  
15    alternate power sources, with advanced battery and fuel cell capabilities, offer

1 exciting possibilities not only in the production and use of cars, but also for the  
2 generation of power for homes and businesses; and

3 Whereas, in the overall effort to revitalize the economy, it is helpful to  
4 remember how other nations invest in their manufactures to propel their countries.  
5 Conversely, the far-reaching ramifications of the collapse of the domestic auto  
6 industry present a specter that must not be ignored; and

7 Whereas, with the acknowledged goal of cleaner technology and national fuel  
8 economy standards, there are many opportunities for renewal for an industry with  
9 millions of workers in the car companies themselves and within the broad network  
10 of suppliers in states all across America. These exciting possibilities can only reach  
11 fulfillment if our country’s leaders make the commitment to work together with the  
12 private sector to develop incentives and make significant investments in  
13 manufacturing, especially the domestic auto industry. Clearly, this is an investment  
14 in our people and our future that is essential; now, therefore, be it

15 ***Resolved by the assembly, That:*** we express the sense of the assembly that  
16 Congress should invest in the manufacturing sector, including the domestic auto  
17 industry; and, be it further

18 ***Resolved, That*** copies of this resolution be transmitted to the President of the  
19 United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives,  
20 and members of the Wisconsin congressional delegation.

21 (END)