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Amend Senate Resolution 147 as follows: 2 <u>#1.</u> By striking page 1, line 3 through page 2, 3 line 13, and inserting the following: 1 1 1 4 1 5 of the State of Iowa to work to make the federal tax 1 6 cuts permanent. WHEREAS, President George W. Bush, Congress, and the Iowa Senate are morally committed to increasing 1 1 8 1 9 the purchasing power of small businesses and working 1 10 people in the United States; and WHEREAS, President Bush, Congress, and the Iowa 1 11 1 12 Senate are morally committed to keeping American jobs 1 13 in America; and 1 14 WHEREAS, President Bush, Congress, and the Iowa 1 15 Senate are morally committed to protecting the income 1 16 of hourly employees in the United States and 1 17 protecting traditional American family values which 1 18 can best be served by wages which do not require both 1 19 parents to work; and WHEREAS, President Bush, Congress, and the Iowa 1 20 1 21 Senate are morally committed to protecting children 1 22 who suffer from neglect, physical abuse, and sexual 1 23 abuse; and 1 24 WHEREAS, President Bush, Congress, and the Iowa 1 25 Senate are morally committed to leaving no child in 1 26 this country behind when it comes to providing an 1 27 excellent education for each American child; and 1 2.8 WHEREAS, each year President Bush has proposed and 1 29 Congress has enacted a tax cut designed to strengthen 1 30 the American economy and increase employment 1 31 opportunities for working families; and WHEREAS, tax cuts signed into law reduced income 1 32 1 33 taxes for all taxpayers, eliminated the marriage 34 penalty and death tax, increased the child credit 35 rebate and business expensing, expanded individual 1 1 1 36 retirement accounts, and cut the double taxation of 1 37 dividends and capital gains; and 1 38 WHEREAS, economic growth stemming from the latest 1 39 tax cut accelerated at its fastest rate in 20 years in 1 40 the third quarter of 2003; and 1 41 WHEREAS, provisions set forth in the tax cut are 1 42 set to expire starting in 2005 and will be completely 1 43 phased out by the year 2012; and 1 44 WHEREAS, expiration of the existing tax cuts will 1 45 increase taxes by 50 percent for lower=income 1 46 families, the child credit will fall by 50 percent, 1 47 the marriage penalty will be reinstated, education 1 48 savings will be taxed, retirement savings will shrink, 1 49 and every taxpayer will face an income tax increase; 1 50 and 2 WHEREAS, expiration of the existing tax cuts will 2 result in the largest tax increase in American history 2 2 3 and will stifle economic growth; and 2 4 WHEREAS, making all the tax cuts permanent will 5 allow taxpayers to feel more confident investing in 2 6 their child's college education or saving for 2 7 retirement, all while ensuring increased economic 8 growth; NOW THEREFORE, 2 2 2 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Iowa Senate 9 2 10 requests Iowa's elected representatives and senators 2 11 in the United States Congress to support and vote to 2 12 make President Bush's tax cuts permanent after 2 13 President Bush signs into law an increase in the 2 14 federal minimum wage of \$1, signs into law legislation 15 which protects the overtime pay of American workers, 2 2 16 signs into law the repeal of every law which provides 2 17 incentives for American businesses to move jobs from 2 18 the United States to other countries, and signs into 2 19 law adequate funding which guarantees protection and 2 20 remedial therapy for every child in America who 2 21 suffers from neglect or physical or sexual abuse; and 2 22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this 2 23 Resolution be transmitted to the members of Iowa's 2 24 congressional delegation.> 2 25

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