

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. *113*
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A Concurrent Resolution relating to the increased
utilization of the Rock Island Arsenal.

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Defense
seeks to achieve economy and efficiency in the
utilization of resources and facilities; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Defense is
currently leasing office and facility space for
government military missions; and

WHEREAS, the facilities of the Rock Island Arsenal,
located on Rock Island Arsenal island in the
Mississippi River between the states of Iowa and
Illinois, employ approximately six thousand people,
contain tens of thousands of square feet of available
office space within buildings listed on the National
Register of Historic Places, reflect greatly enhanced
physical plant, machine tool inventory, and data
processing capabilities which are the result of a
multi-year modernization project and comprise one of
the largest weapons manufacturing arsenals in the
world; and

WHEREAS, the Defense Megacenter-Rock Island,
located at the Rock Island Arsenal, has significant
ability through a robust communications infrastructure
to furnish a full range of automation services,
including business, tactical, and logistical systems
support in both the classified and unclassified
environments, and can service, operate, and maintain

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1 automation and communications equipment for Federal,
2 state, or local agencies on a reimbursable basis; and
3 WHEREAS, the facilities of the Rock Island Arsenal
4 warrant utilization of the facilities to the fullest
5 possible extent; and

6 WHEREAS, government military missions currently
7 housed in leased facilities at other locations could
8 readily be relocated to and accommodated on the Rock
9 Island Arsenal, resulting in a significant taxpayer
10 savings due to the discontinuance of the leases
11 currently in place; NOW WHEREFORE,

12 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, THE
13 SENATE CONCURRING, That the Iowa General Assembly
14 urges the United States Department of Defense and the
15 United States Senate and House of Representatives to
16 maximize the use of the facilities at the Rock Island
17 Arsenal by moving government military missions
18 currently located in leased facilities into the vacant
19 and available buildings located at the Rock Island
20 facility.

21 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this
22 resolution be sent to the President of the United
23 States, the United States Secretary of Defense, the
24 Majority and Minority Leaders of the United States
25 Senate, the Speaker, Majority Leader, and Minority
26 Leader of the United States House of Representatives,
27 and to the members of Iowa's congressional delegation.

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