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HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 10

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1 A Resolution urging the members of Congress to amend
2 federal law to increase the maximum combined gross
3 weight allowed for motor vehicles operated on
4 interstate highways in Iowa.

5 WHEREAS, federal laws and regulations impose a
6 combined gross weight limit of 80,000 pounds for
7 vehicles operated on interstate highways in Iowa; and

8 WHEREAS, when federal weight limits were established
9 for interstate highways, the weight limits in effect
10 at the time for various states were "grandfathered",
11 so that the weight limits established for interstate
12 highways in many states are higher than the weight
13 limit in Iowa; and

14 WHEREAS, due to the current weight limit on Iowa's
15 interstates, trucks with heavier loads are forced onto
16 state and local roads, thereby increasing traffic and
17 adding to the wear and tear on those roads; and

18 WHEREAS, federal policies which allow heavier
19 truck traffic on interstate highways in western states
20 put Iowa at a competitive disadvantage with those
21 states; NOW THEREFORE,

22 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
23 That the House of Representatives urges Congress
24 to amend federal law to permit the federal highway
25 administration to raise the weight limit on interstate
26 highways in Iowa to 96,000 pounds; and

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this
28 resolution be transmitted to the president of the

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1 United States Senate, the speaker of the United States
2 House of Representatives, and each member of the Iowa
3 congressional delegation.