

House Resolution 4 - Introduced

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1 A Resolution urging Congress to protect Medicare in the
2 upcoming budget debates.

3 WHEREAS, just as America has pulled back from the
4 fiscal cliff, another crisis looms — the debate over
5 the future of Medicare; and

6 WHEREAS, 95 percent of America's senior citizens —
7 almost 37 million in 2008 — get their health coverage
8 through Medicare; and

9 WHEREAS, many proposed changes to the Medicare
10 system would reduce or delay benefits, alter the
11 structure of this critical program, or force our
12 seniors to bear a disproportionate portion of the
13 deficit reduction burden; and

14 WHEREAS, some plans would go so far as to replace
15 Medicare with a voucher system; NOW THEREFORE,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That
17 the House of Representatives respectfully requests that
18 Iowa's congressional delegation work to prevent any
19 cuts in the Medicare program; and

20 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Chief Clerk of the
21 House of Representatives shall distribute copies of
22 this resolution to the members of Iowa's congressional
23 delegation.