

Senate Resolution 105 - Introduced

SENATE RESOLUTION NO. 105

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1 A Resolution reaffirming Iowa's commitment to
2 its relationship with the Ukrainian people
3 and supporting Ukraine's efforts to remain an
4 independent and autonomous nation.

5 WHEREAS, the relationship between Ukraine and the
6 United States is marked by strong bilateral trade,
7 educational and cultural exchange, and tourism; and

8 WHEREAS, the State of Iowa's ties with Ukraine are
9 demonstrated by its sister-state relationship with
10 Cherkasy Oblast, and sister-city relationships between
11 Newton and Smila, Osklaloosa and Shpola, and Muscatine
12 and Drohobych; and

13 WHEREAS, Ukraine and the State of Iowa have enjoyed
14 a long and mutually beneficial trade relationship and
15 anticipate continuing trade growth, including exports
16 of tractors, farm implement vehicles, and seeders,
17 planters, and transplanting tools; and

18 WHEREAS, in 2021, the State of Iowa exported
19 \$73,485,215 of commodities to Ukraine and imported
20 \$3,011,563 of commodities from Ukraine; and

1 WHEREAS, Ukraine shares with the United States
2 and the State of Iowa the common values of freedom,
3 democracy, human rights, and rule of law; and

4 WHEREAS, Ukraine has been an independent and
5 autonomous nation maintaining fair and free elections
6 since 1991; and

7 WHEREAS, Russian military forces have committed
8 an unprovoked and unjustified attack on the people of
9 Ukraine; and

10 WHEREAS, Russian President Vladimir Putin has chosen
11 a premeditated war that will bring a catastrophic loss
12 of life and suffering; and

13 WHEREAS, Russia is solely responsible for the loss
14 of life, destruction, and human suffering that its
15 attack will bring; NOW THEREFORE,

16 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE, That the Senate
17 affirms that the people of Iowa stand in solidarity
18 with the people of Ukraine; and

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate stands
20 clearly against Russia's flagrant aggression,
21 authoritarianism, and attack on democracy; and

22 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Senate supports
23 the right of all persons to live in a free society,
24 the right to self-determination, and the right to live
25 without fear of attack, foreign or domestic, anywhere
26 in the world.