

House Concurrent Resolution No. 16

95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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1 **Whereas**, President of the United States Barack H. Obama has, by executive order,
2 ordered the Pentagon to close the Guantanamo Bay prison within one year; and
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4 **Whereas**, many of the detainees currently imprisoned at Guantanamo Bay are
5 suspected terrorists and have committed or are accused of committing egregious crimes against
6 the United States of America, including but not limited to orchestrating attacks on the World
7 Trade Center, the Pentagon, and another target in the nation's Capitol on September 11, 2001;
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10 **Whereas**, the safety and security of Missouri citizens is one of utmost importance
11 to the Missouri General Assembly; and
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13 **Whereas**, the relocation of these terror suspects upon release from the Guantanamo
14 Bay prison remains unclear; and
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16 **Whereas**, the transportation of these terror suspects through Missouri as they are
17 routed to another detention center would pose an unnecessary risk to the safety, security, and
18 lives of our citizens; and
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20 **Whereas**, the sheltering of these terror suspects in Missouri as they are transported
21 to another detention center would pose an unnecessary risk to the safety, security, and lives of
22 our citizens; and
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24 **Whereas**, providing these terror suspects with asylum in Missouri would
25 unnecessarily endanger the safety, security, and lives of Missourians; and

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27 **Whereas**, Missouri seeks the support of the state governments of Missouri's eight
28 contiguous states - Arkansas, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and
29 Tennessee - in notifying our public safety officials of any attempt to transport or release terror
30 suspects across our borders:

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32 **Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the members of the House of
33 Representatives of the Ninety-fifth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate
34 concurring therein, hereby strongly urge the United States Congress to reject any act of asylum,
35 containment, transport, imprisonment, or medical care in regard to suspected terrorists released
36 within the State of Missouri from any United States operated foreign prison; and

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38 **Be it further resolved** that the Missouri General Assembly also encourages
39 all of Missouri's contiguous states to adopt similar resolutions; and

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41 **Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
42 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Barack
43 H. Obama, President of the United States; the Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the United
44 States Senate; the Majority Leader and Minority Leader of the United States House of
45 Representatives; each member of the Missouri Congressional delegation; and the Governor of
46 each of Missouri's eight contiguous states, and the President of the Senate and Speaker of the
47 House of Representatives of each of the legislatures of Missouri's eight contiguous states.

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