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A RESOLUTION

1 Supporting the Divided We Fail effort and urging Federal and  
2 State officials to work together across party lines.

3 WHEREAS, The opportunity to have access to health care and  
4 long-term financial security is a basic need that all Americans  
5 share and it is the foundation for future generations; and

6 WHEREAS, All Americans should have peace of mind about their  
7 future long-term financial security; and

8 WHEREAS, All Americans should have access to affordable  
9 health care, including prescription drugs, and these costs  
10 should not burden future generations; and

11 WHEREAS, Wellness and prevention efforts, including changes  
12 in personal behavior such as diet and exercise, should be top  
13 national priorities; and

14 WHEREAS, Americans should have choices when it comes to long-

1 term care, allowing them to maintain their independence at home  
2 or in their communities with expanded and affordable financing  
3 options; and

4 WHEREAS, Our children and grandchildren should have an  
5 adequate quality of life when they retire, and Social Security  
6 must be strengthened without burdening future generations; and

7 WHEREAS, Workers should be provided with financial incentives  
8 to save, should have access to effective retirement plans and  
9 should be able to keep working and contributing to society  
10 regardless of age; and

11 WHEREAS, Americans of all ages should have access to tools to  
12 help manage their finances and save for the future and better,  
13 easy-to-understand information to help them increase their  
14 financial literacy and manage their money wisely; and

15 WHEREAS, Individuals, businesses, health care providers,  
16 nonprofit organizations and government agencies must work  
17 together to find solutions personally, privately and publicly;  
18 and

19 WHEREAS, AARP, the Business Roundtable, the National  
20 Federation of Independent Business and the Service Employees  
21 International Union have committed to be champions for this new  
22 American Dream by supporting Divided We Fail and bringing the  
23 voices of millions of Americans to support their elected leaders  
24 and urge them to work together across party lines to provide  
25 action and answers on these issues; therefore be it

26 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives support the  
27 Divided We Fail effort and urge our Federal and State elected  
28 officials and candidates to do the same.