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CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

1 WHEREAS, The 1972 Anti-Ballistic Missile Treaty was signed in
2 cooperation with a nation that no longer exists; and

3 WHEREAS, An increasing number of nations, including North
4 Korea, either currently possess the capability to launch missile
5 attacks against the United States or are working to obtain that
6 capability; and

7 WHEREAS, Due in part to advances in technology, the
8 possibility is higher today than it was during most of the Cold War
9 that a missile bearing a weapon of mass destruction will be used
10 against United States forces or interests; and

11 WHEREAS, Terrorist groups, not just states, may have the
12 means to buy intercontinental ballistic missiles and our nation
13 still has no defense against a missile attack; and

14 WHEREAS, The Cold War policy of "mutual assured destruction"
15 assumed in arms control treaties is not sufficient to deter
16 terrorist missile attacks; and

17 WHEREAS, Defending against a missile attack is the
18 government's moral obligation; now, therefore, be it

19 RESOLVED, That the 78th Legislature of the State of Texas
20 hereby respectfully request the Congress of the United States to
21 support efforts to build and deploy a national missile defense
22 system as rapidly as possible; and, be it further

23 RESOLVED, That the Texas secretary of state forward official
24 copies of this resolution to the president of the United States, to

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1 the speaker of the house of representatives and the president of the
2 senate of the United States Congress, and to all the members of the
3 Texas delegation to the congress with the request that this
4 resolution be officially entered in the Congressional Record as a
5 memorial to the Congress of the United States of America.