

House Concurrent Resolution No. 14

94TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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1 **Whereas**, we affirm the inherent dignity of all people, regardless of color, religion,
2 or immigration status, and we expect equality and justice for all; and

3 **Whereas**, hard working, tax paying immigrants embody our Missouri values of
4 hard work, faith, and family and come to establish roots in Missouri communities in search of
5 the American Dream; and

6 **Whereas**, we reject the extremism of anti-immigrant groups that seek to use fear
7 to confuse and divide our communities; and

8 **Whereas**, we support the right of all Missourians to express their opinions about
9 the best course for our nation's immigration laws and commit ourselves to advancing a civil,
10 respectful, and humane dialogue on the same; and

11 **Whereas**, we recognize the connections between many anti-immigrant groups and
12 white nationalist organizations and disavow their message of racial hatred; and

13 **Whereas**, we acknowledge the proud history of our state and our nation as a
14 country of immigrants and believe that immigrants continue to be an important part of our
15 heritage and prosperity:

16 **Now, therefore, be it resolved** that the members of the Missouri House
17 of Representatives, Ninety-Fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate
18 concurring therein, hereby call for a unified voice against anti-immigrant groups and their
19 organized bigotry and dangerous vigilantism and continue working together in coalition with
20 immigrant, labor, community, business, and religious groups to promote a welcoming Missouri

21 and protecting the civil and human rights of Missouri's immigrant families while calling on
22 Congress to address our nation's broken immigration system in a comprehensive fashion; and

23 **Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of
24 Representatives be instructed to prepare properly inscribed copies of this resolution for Governor
25 Matt Blunt and the members of the Missouri congressional delegation.