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HJR___ TO CEASE FUNDING AND SUPPORTING THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION AND TO REJECT ANY INTERNATIONAL HEALTH REGULATIONS REGARDING PANDEMIC PREPAREDNESS.

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization (WHO) has proven itself to be a corrupt organization that has hampered worldwide public health efforts; and

WHEREAS, the WHO has a history of mismanagement and scandals, including the cover-up of severe sexual abuse by its staff in the Democratic Republic of the Congo following an Ebola viral outbreak; and

WHEREAS, the WHO is an opaque organization unaccountable to the United States government despite receiving between \$200 and \$600 million annually in United States taxpayer subsidies over the past decade; and

WHEREAS, as an organization, the WHO has chosen to place in positions of leadership on its executive board representatives of extreme authoritarian regimes such as the People's Republic of China, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, the Syrian Arab Republic, and Belarus in complete disregard for the human rights abuses regularly committed by these regimes; and

WHEREAS, at the beginning of the COVID-19 outbreak and throughout the pandemic, WHO officials were complicit with the government of the People's Republic of China in



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29 preventing international understanding of the virus and its
30 effects and in covering up its origins, thereby increasing
31 the severity of the pandemic and its death toll; and

32 WHEREAS, the WHO is currently in the process of
33 drafting new International Health Regulations and a proposed
34 Pandemic Preparedness Treaty that will further expand the
35 organization's authority and empower unelected international
36 bureaucrats through a "One Health" mandate to override
37 national sovereignty in areas including energy, agriculture,
38 climate, and public health; and

39 WHEREAS, granting the WHO such authority would
40 empower authoritarian regimes, contribute to the theft of
41 intellectual property, erode the sovereignty of western
42 democratic nations in favor of an international technocracy,
43 and threaten western liberal democracy; and

44 WHEREAS, the United States has its own Centers for
45 Disease Control and Prevention to address issues of domestic
46 and international public health and disease preparedness, an
47 organization that is accountable to the people of the United
48 States and their elected representatives; now therefore,

49 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
50 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the members of this body
51 encourage the United States representatives and senators
52 elected by the people of the State of Alabama to take all
53 steps necessary and reasonable to permanently end taxpayer
54 funding of the World Health Organization.

55 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the members of this body
56 encourage the President of the United States and his foreign



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57 policy officials to reject the creation of any policy, law,
58 convention, or regulation, whether through amendments to the
59 International Health Regulations or through the drafting of
60 an international agreement regarding Pandemic Preparedness,
61 that would in any way further empower this ineffective and
62 corrupt organization.

63 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the members of this body
64 encourage the United States government to ensure the
65 fundamental freedoms of the American people against the
66 corrupting influence of international entities such as the
67 World Health Organization that all too often are under the
68 influence of authoritarian foreign regimes that do not act
69 in the best interest of the United States.