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3 By Representative Nordgren
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8 URGING THE UNITED STATES CONGRESS TO GRANT A TAX
9 CREDIT FOR FREE SERVICES PERFORMED BY ANY PHYSICIAN OR DENTIST
10 WHO IS A MEDICAID PROVIDER.
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12 WHEREAS, Medicaid is the largest program providing
13 medical and health-related services to the poorest people in
14 the State of Alabama; and

15 WHEREAS, Any physician or dentist who is licensed by
16 their state licensing board may become a Medicaid provider;
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18 WHEREAS, Each year care is provided by more than
19 9,000 physicians and dentists to more than 900,000 Medicaid
20 patients; and

21 WHEREAS, Medicaid provider reimbursement costs the
22 State of Alabama and the federal government billions of
23 dollars annually and is an economic strain on physicians,
24 dentists and on our state and country; and

25 WHEREAS, Physicians and dentists have expressed an
26 interest in providing services to Medicaid patients at no cost

1 in exchange for a federal and state tax credit in an effort to
2 reduce Medicaid costs; now therefore,

3 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA, BOTH
4 HOUSES THEREOF CONCURRING, That the United States Congress is
5 hereby urged to allow physicians and dentists providing
6 Medicaid services to opt into a program allowing them to
7 provide free medical services to Medicaid patients and receive
8 an income tax credit to offset the costs of such free
9 services.

10 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That copies of this
11 resolution be provided to the following officials:

12 (1) The Speaker of the United States House of
13 Representatives.

14 (2) The President of the United States Senate.

15 (3) All members of the Alabama Delegation to
16 Congress with the request that this resolution be officially
17 entered in the Congressional Record.