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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

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

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

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

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

(2) The President of the United States Senate.

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