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# House Concurrent Resolution No. 43

## 100TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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2           **WHEREAS**, on February 7, 2019, Representative Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez introduced  
3 House Resolution 109 in the United States House of Representatives indicating that the federal  
4 government has a duty to create a Green New Deal to achieve net-zero greenhouse gas emissions  
5 in ten years; and

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6           **WHEREAS**, House Resolution 109 espouses a terrifying future based on arbitrary  
7 statistics and outcomes that can not truly be predicted. The solutions set out in the Green New  
8 Deal and House Resolution 109 will cost the United States trillions of dollars, with no clear path  
9 for paying to implement the plan; and

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11           **WHEREAS**, Representative Ocasio-Cortez's staff released a document detailing what  
12 the Green New Deal would entail, including massive changes to the way millions of people in  
13 the country live, with these changes happening on a radically short timeline; and

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15           **WHEREAS**, the document, which contained Frequently Asked Questions, indicated that  
16 the goal was for net zero rather than zero emissions in ten years because they were not sure "that  
17 we'll be able to fully get rid of farting cows and airplanes that fast"; and

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19           **WHEREAS**, according to the University of Missouri Extension Service, Missouri is  
20 ranked number three in beef cow inventories with more than 2 million cows as of 2017 and is  
21 home to over 80,000 milk cows; and

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23           **WHEREAS**, in 2012, Missouri ranked fourth in the country in the number of acres of  
24 soybeans planted and second in the number of acres of used for forage according to the U.S.  
25 Department of Agriculture; and

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27           **WHEREAS**, eliminating or significantly reducing cattle and combustion engines would  
28 damage the agricultural industry in Missouri, which leads the way in feeding the world, by  
29 crippling the ability to engage in cattle ranching; cultivate the soil; produce and harvest rice,

30 cotton, corn, soybeans, and other food products; and transport food products around the world;  
31 and

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33 **WHEREAS**, the Boeing Corporation employs over 14,500 people in Missouri. Making  
34 air travel unnecessary would result in thousands of Boeing employees losing their jobs; and

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36 **WHEREAS**, House Resolution 109 calls for “meeting 100 percent of the power demand  
37 in the United States through clean, renewable, and zero-emission energy sources” and the  
38 associated document called for phasing out fossil fuels and nuclear energy as soon as possible;  
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41 **WHEREAS**, coal and nuclear power fuel the majority of Missouri’s electricity  
42 generation. According to the U.S. Energy Information Administration, coal fueled 81 percent  
43 and the Callaway Nuclear Generating Station provided 10 percent of Missouri’s electricity  
44 generation in 2017; and

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46 **WHEREAS**, the nuclear power plant located in Callaway County, in the heart of the  
47 state, provides highly efficient, low-cost, carbon free electricity for Ameren Missouri’s 1.2  
48 million customers; and

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50 **WHEREAS**, the proposed Green New Deal would significantly damage Missouri’s  
51 electrical power industry by phasing out the use of fossil fuels and nuclear energy; and

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53 **WHEREAS**, the proposed Green New Deal indicates that the federal government should  
54 ensure economic security for all people of the United States; and

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56 **WHEREAS**, the document also indicated that the proposed Green New Deal sought  
57 "economic security for all who are unable or unwilling to work"; and

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59 **WHEREAS**, the funds required to pay for a guaranteed income for all may increase as  
60 more people decide they are unwilling to work or are laid off as a result of the damage to various  
61 industries:

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63 **NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the members of the House of  
64 Representatives of the One Hundredth General Assembly, First Regular Session, the Senate

65 concurring therein, hereby urge President Donald J. Trump and members of Missouri's  
66 congressional delegation to oppose the resolution proposing a Green New Deal; and  
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68 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of  
69 Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for President  
70 Donald J. Trump and each member of the Missouri congressional delegation.

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