WHEREAS, The "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act" (Act), Public Law 111-148, was signed into law by President Obama on March 23, 2010; and

WHEREAS, Under the Act, the freedom of individual citizens to make health care choices will be limited, millions of citizens could involuntarily lose their current health care insurance, and the federal government will be interjected into the doctor-patient relationship to an extent never seen before; and

WHEREAS, The Act places one-sixth of the economy of the United States under the regulatory power of the federal government and will likely lead to increased health care spending and rationing of health care; and
WHEREAS, The Act will likely increase taxes, limit economic growth, increase unemployment, and reduce incentives to innovate; and

WHEREAS, The Act will increase the cost of health care for Colorado families, add trillions to the national debt, stifle innovation, result in the rationing of health care, and force millions of Americans to lose their current health care coverage; and

WHEREAS, The Act will likely increase the federal deficit while simultaneously requiring unsustainable spending by the states, which will likely lead to catastrophic deficits at the state level, forcing unprecedented cutbacks in other state programs and services; and

WHEREAS, The Act was passed against the clear expression of the citizenry and continues to be opposed by a majority of the citizenry, and the federal government refuses to repeal the Act; and

WHEREAS, The Act effectively reduces the power of the states with respect to the regulation of matters traditionally addressed at the state level and constitutes a derogation of the core constitutional principle of federalism upon which this nation was founded; and

WHEREAS, The Act, for the first time, extends the commerce power of the United States to mandating individual conduct, and the Act depends upon this mandate for its funding; the Act is currently under review by the United States Supreme Court; and

WHEREAS, Article V of the United States Constitution provides that, on the application of the legislatures of two-thirds of the several states, Congress shall call a convention for proposing amendments to the United States Constitution, which amendments, when so proposed by such a convention, must be ratified by the legislatures of, or conventions in, three-fourths of the states to become ratified; now, therefore,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the Sixty-eighth General Assembly of the State of Colorado:

(1) That we, the members of the Colorado House of Representatives, do hereby request the United States Congress to call a convention pursuant to Article V of the United States Constitution for the sole purpose of proposing an amendment to the United States Constitution.
Constitution declaring that Public Law 111-148, the "Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act", and any amendments thereto are repealed;

(2) That, to conform with Article V of the United States Constitution, said amendment shall become a part of the United States Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of, or conventions in, three-fourths of the several states;

(3) That we, the members of the Colorado House of Representatives, do hereby request the presiding officers of the legislative bodies of the several states to apply to Congress to call a convention for the sole purpose of proposing the amendment to the United States Constitution set forth in this Resolution;

(4) That the delegates to such convention, when called, be selected according to procedures established by the legislatures of the several states; and

(5) That this Resolution is revoked and withdrawn, nullified, and superseded to the same effect as if it had never been passed, and retroactive to the date of passage, if it is used for the purpose of calling a convention or used in support of conducting a convention to propose amendments to the United States Constitution for any purpose other than consideration of the amendment proposed in this Resolution.

Be It Further Resolved, That copies of this Resolution be sent to the presiding officers of the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States Congress, each member of Colorado's congressional delegation, and the presiding officers of each state legislature.