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H. RES. 13

To express the intention of the House of Representatives to fully fund the
Federal Pell Grant Program.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. KELLER submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the
Committee on Education and the Workforce

RESOLUTION

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to fully fund the Federal Pell Grant Program.

Whereas all children should have the opportunity to attend a
postsecondary institution to further their education;

Whereas the Pell Grant program is the largest need-related
Federal postsecondary student grant program;

Whereas the purpose of the Pell Grant program is to finan-
cially assist students from low-income families who would
not be able to attend college because of the financial bur-
den it would place on the student and their family;

Whereas section 401(b) of the Higher Education Act of 1965
states that the purpose of the Pell Grant program is to
provide an award that “in combination with reasonable
family and student contribution” and other Federal grant

aid “will meet at least 75 percent of a student’s cost of attendance;”

Whereas the purchasing power of Pell Grants has been steadily declining in relation to college costs, making students more dependent on loans, and forcing them into greater financial debt as they graduate; and

Whereas the new administration has pledged that increasing Pell Grant funding is an educational priority for the administration: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives declares
2 that it is the intention of the House of Representatives
3 to provide in the concurrent resolutions on the budget for
4 fiscal year 2002 and succeeding fiscal years, and in the
5 appropriations for such fiscal years, an amount of budget
6 authority sufficient to fund the Federal Pell Grant pro-
7 gram at a level that will provide maximum Pell Grants
8 equal to the maximum amounts authorized by the Higher
9 Education Act of 1965.

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