

2021 Jack Howe Memorial Tournament

Student Congress Docket **MIDDLE SCHOOL** Division

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Notes:

1. Each chamber in the **MIDDLE SCHOOL** division will debate one bill per preliminary session.
2. Students may debate both bills in the final session.

B/R #MS 1: A Resolution to Standardize Healthcare Licensure Standards

1 **WHEREAS**, Occupational licensing discrepancies make it harder for people to find jobs in the
2 healthcare sector

3 **WHEREAS**, Current issues of cost and shortages of workers are leading to more rapid closures
4 of healthcare facilities in the United States

5 **WHEREAS**, The average American spends more on their healthcare than many of the other
6 peer nations with similar, or generally better, healthcare outcomes.

7 **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled standardized occupational licensing for all jobs
8 related to the healthcare industry, which includes but is not limited to: primary
9 care doctors, nurses, and surgeons.

10 **FURTHER RESOLVED**, current licenses shall expire one year after Congress has drafted and
11 constructed a uniform set of guidelines to meet the new requirements.

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B/R #MS 2: A Resolution to End Uranium Mining on Public Land

1 **WHEREAS**, The United States' government's leasing of federal lands for mining of radioactive
2 materials has failed to be regulated by environmental regulations, and

3 **WHEREAS**, Proximate populations suffer from health and community harms from the mining
4 of these resources, and

5 **WHEREAS**, The large lobbying efforts by vested interests has paralyzed local, state, and
6 federal entities alike, along with silencing the voices of Indigenous populations,

7 **RESOLVED**, That the Congress here assembled shall ban all mining of uranium on public lands
8 through the cessation of the issuance of new contracts.

9 **FURTHER RESOLVED**, the Congress will match, dollar per dollar, the revenue generated
10 from the extraction of uranium until current contracts expire in the form of grants
11 to Indigenous populations for their local governments.

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B/R #MS F1: A Resolution to Support Egypt in the Dispute Over the Nile River Dam

1 **WHEREAS**, the Nile River is a the primary source of water for Egypt and countries along the
2 Nile River, and

3 **WHEREAS**, Egypt is dependent on the Nile River for Agriculture and Commerce, and

4 **WHEREAS**, the Nile River Dam threatens Egypt's viability, and

5 **WHEREAS**, a weakened Egypt affects Middle East relations between Egypt and other
6 countries, which may harm US and European interests, and

7 **WHEREAS**, The United States and Egyptian relationship is important for regional strategic
8 interests and stability,

9 **BE IT RESOLVED** that the United States supports Egypt in its dispute with Ethiopia over the
10 Nile River Dam, and

11 **BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the United States mediates a treaty between Egypt, Sudan,
12 and Ethiopia regarding water access along the Nile River.

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B/R #MS F2: A Bill to Stop Offering Military Contracts with Civilian Technology Companies

1 BE IT ENACTED BY THE CONGRESS HERE ASSEMBLED THAT

2 **SECTION 1.** The US military shall be barred from initiating contracts with large tech
3 companies that also provide consumer products.

4 **SECTION 2.** Large tech companies shall be defined as large private enterprises—such as
5 Facebook, Google, and Amazon—which primarily develop technologies through
6 the internet or through technology information sciences. This also includes
7 companies which provide expertise in data science, cloud computing, and
8 cybersecurity.

9 **SECTION 3.** The Departments of Commerce and Defense shall enforce this legislation.

10 **SECTION 4.** This legislation will go into effect in FY 2022

11 **SECTION 5.** All laws in conflict with this legislation are hereby declared null and void.

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