RESOLUTION No. 2025-35

Franklin County Board, Benton Illinois

WHEREAS, House Bill 2827 introduced on February 5, 2025 by Representative Terra Costa Howard proposes the creation of the "Homeschool Act" which would impose significant new mandates on families who choose to educate their children at home, including compulsory registration, detailed reporting and state oversight of curriculum and recordkeeping;

WHEREAS, the bill requires homeschooling parents or guardians to submit a Homeschool Declaration form annually to the local public school or school principal, and defines failure to do so as grounds for labeling the child truant – potentially subjecting parents to fines, legal penalties or referral, to child welfare agencies.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Franklin County Board as follows:

- The Franklin County Board strongly opposes House Bill 2827 and any similar legislation that infringes on the rights of parents and guardians to direct the education of their children, that imposes burdensome and intrusive mandates on homeschool and private educational institutions,
- The Franklin County Clerk is hereby directed to send copies of this
 Resolution to Governor Pritzker, the Speaker of the Illinois House of
 Representatives, The President of the Illinois Senate, the Minority leader of
 both chambers, and the Illinois Senator and Representatives serving
 Franklin County.

_ Day of

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Franklin County Board Chairman

Franklin County Clerk