

State of Minnesota
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-SECOND SESSION

H. R. No. 4

- 1.1 A House resolution
- 1.2 condemning Chinese treatment of and human rights violations against the Uyghurs.
- 1.3 WHEREAS, there are about 12 million Uyghurs, mostly practicing Muslims, who live in the
- 1.4 Xinjiang region in northwestern China; and
- 1.5 WHEREAS, as an ethnic and religious minority group, the Uyghurs have faced increasing
- 1.6 surveillance and cultural suppression by the Chinese government, including mandatory government
- 1.7 facial recognition and cell phone checkpoints, installation of cameras in private homes and mosques,
- 1.8 and imprisonment for teaching the Uyghur language; and
- 1.9 WHEREAS, as many as one million Uyghurs have been detained in "re-education" and forced
- 1.10 work camps while birthrates among the Uyghurs has plummeted, consistent with reports of forced
- 1.11 contraception and sterilization in these camps; and
- 1.12 WHEREAS, the United States, the leader of the free world, cannot turn a blind eye to the
- 1.13 atrocities happening across the globe and sanctioned Chinese regional officials and a security agency
- 1.14 in July of 2020 for their roles in the detentions of the Uyghurs; NOW, THEREFORE,
- 1.15 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the State of Minnesota that it condemns
- 1.16 the actions of the Chinese government against the Uyghurs.