

ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION No. 104

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

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By Assemblymen WEINGARTEN and O'TOOLE

1 **AN ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION** calling upon United States Secretary of Labor
2 Robert Reich to grant a work certificate extension to Alexander
3 Malofienko so that his son, Vladimir "Vova" Malofienko, can continue to
4 receive vital medical care in this country.

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6 **WHEREAS**, Vladimir "Vova" Malofienko, a fifth grade student at New Jersey's
7 Millburn Middle School, came to this country with his parents from
8 Ukraine; and

9 **WHEREAS**, He has been treated for acute myelogenous leukemia after being
10 exposed to massive radiation as a result of the Chernobyl nuclear disaster;
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12 **WHEREAS**, The leukemia is now in remission but Vova could have a relapse
13 at any time; and

14 **WHEREAS**, The quality of care Vova receives in New Jersey cannot be
15 duplicated in Ukraine; and

16 **WHEREAS**, His continued access to proper medical care in this country is at
17 risk because Vova's father, Alexander Malofienko, has been denied an
18 extension to his work certificate by the United States Department of Labor;
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20 **WHEREAS**, This denial comes in spite of the fact that Mr. Malofienko's
21 employer, Tetley Tea in Morris Plains, is willing to serve as Mr.
22 Malofienko's sponsor; and

23 **WHEREAS**, For the sake of young Vova's health and well-being, it is
24 imperative that Secretary Reich reverse his department's decision and grant
25 Mr. Malofienko a work certificate extension; now, therefore,

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27 **BE IT RESOLVED** *by the General Assembly of the State of New Jersey:*

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29 1. This House calls upon United States Secretary of Labor Robert Reich
30 to reverse his department's decision and grant a work certificate extension to
31 Alexander Malofienko so that his son, Vladimir "Vova" Malofienko, can
32 continue to receive vital medical treatment for his leukemia condition.

