House Resolution

A resolution honoring Demos Megaloudis for a lifetime of contributions to the City of Tarpon Springs and the State of Florida.

WHEREAS, longtime businessman and civic leader, Demos Megaloudis, died suddenly on September 11, 1996, at the age of 64, and

WHEREAS, described by those who knew him as "a great, quiet man" and "a great and good man," Demos Megaloudis lived a life of care and concern for others, commitment to education, and support of community projects which earned him the love and respect of an entire community, and

WHEREAS, born in Tarpon Springs and a lifelong resident of that city, Demos Megaloudis was affectionately known as "Mr. Tarpon Springs," and

WHEREAS, Demos Megaloudis was a former board member and director of Springs State Bank, a former member of the Tarpon Springs Housing Authority, an advisory board member of GTE and Florida Power Corporation, a director and officer of the Tarpon Springs Hospital Foundation, a member of the advisory board of the Anclote Manor Psychiatric Center, and a board member and chairperson for Tarpon Springs Community School, and

WHEREAS, Demos Megaloudis was also a charter member of the Pinellas County Education Foundation, a member of the education and research foundation advisory committee for the Florida Real Estate Commission, and a board member and officer of the Tarpon Springs Chamber of Commerce and the Clearwater Association of Realtors, and

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 WHEREAS, Demos Megaloudis served for five years as aide to U.S. Representative Michael Bilirakis, was appointed by Governor Lawton Chiles to the St. Petersburg Junior College District Board of Trustees in 1992, and was elected as vice chairman of the board of trustees in 1996, and

WHEREAS, Demos Megaloudis has been the recipient of the Ninth Congressional District Distinguished Service Award, the Tarpon Springs Jaycees Distinguished Service Award and Man of the Year Award, has been named Tarpon Springs Citizen of the Year by the Tarpon Springs Elks Lodge, and on three occasions has been awarded the Key to the City of Tarpon Springs, and

WHEREAS, it has been said that nearly every aspect of life in Tarpon Springs bears the mark of Demos Megaloudis, and

WHEREAS, it is with great sadness that the City of Tarpon Springs and the State of Florida mark the loss of one of its finest and most involved citizens, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

That the House of Representatives of the State of Florida hereby honors Demos Megaloudis for his lifetime of selfless devotion and service to the citizens of Tarpon Springs.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be presented to his wife, Stella Megaloudis, his daughter, Chris Rondeau, his son, Gary Megaloudis, and his sisters, Helen Campbell and Angie Huddleston, as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.