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House Resolution

A resolution commemorating the life of Wendell  
N. Rollason.

WHEREAS, Wendell N. Rollason served as Executive  
Director of Redlands Christian Migrant Association for over 25  
years, ensuring and expanding child-care services for migrant  
and poor children in Florida, and

WHEREAS, Redlands Christian Migrant Association now  
provides child-care services to over 6,000 migrant and poor  
children per day with a staff of over 1,000, most of whom are  
wives of farmworkers, making it the largest private nonprofit  
child-care provider in the nation, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rollason created partnerships with  
government, businesses, and agriculture for increasing and  
ensuring child-care services for migrant children,  
partnerships which are unique in the state and the nation, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rollason, under Governors Graham, Nixon,  
Martinez, and Chiles, served as the only chairman of the  
Governor's Advisory Council on Farmworker Affairs since its  
inception in 1979, and served on several other state and  
national committees and councils as a spokesperson for  
farmworkers and the rural poor, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rollason measured his success, never in  
terms of personal or monetary reward, but in contributions  
made to others, growth in people he worked with and for, and  
protections and opportunities afforded the less fortunate in  
our society, and

WHEREAS, the life and contributions of Mr. Rollason  
resulted in a better Florida for all of its citizens,  
regardless of status or occupation, but especially for poor

1 and rural children, and serve as a reminder that our children  
2 are our future, their welfare our obligation and challenge,  
3 and

4 WHEREAS, it is fitting that the life and service of  
5 Wendell N. Rollason be commended as an example of what one  
6 committed person can accomplish, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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11 That the House of Representatives pauses in its  
12 deliberations to pay tribute to Wendell N. Rollason.

13 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution  
14 be presented to Redlands Christian Migrant Association as a  
15 tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.

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