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House Resolution

A resolution commending the Macon Community for outstanding dedication to their community.

WHEREAS, the Macon Community was founded on 360 acres purchased in 1876 by an African-American entrepreneur named Henry Macon, Sr., and

WHEREAS, the Macon Community is a close-knit community where children play in the streets, residents know their neighbors, and the older people sit on their porches and talk, and

WHEREAS, the Macon Community established a neighborhood association in May 1993, and since then it has held three school and community reunions, staged two major neighborhood clean-ups, established a crime watch network, revived 1976 negotiations with the city officials on the creation of a neighborhood park to be named "Macon Community Park," and

WHEREAS, phase one of the construction of the park is partially completed, and

WHEREAS, in 1995, the Macon Community was selected as the "Neighborhood of the Year," by the Council of Neighborhood Associations, and "Neighborhood of the Year," in Crime Prevention by the Tallahassee Urban League, and

WHEREAS, the community was nominated again in 1996 to be honored for its efforts in crime prevention, and

WHEREAS, the Macon Community organized and launched its first Community Egg Hunt and Balloon Release, which were designed for, and involved the youth, and

WHEREAS, the Macon Community is presently negotiating and raising funds to buy back its historic Macon Schoolhouse to be used as a museum and community center in an effort to

1 preserve its history and culture, and to meet some of the many  
2 economic, educational, cultural, and social needs of the  
3 youth, and others in need of such services, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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8           That the Macon Community is recognized for its efforts  
9 in preserving the area's unique and distinct qualities.

10           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution  
11 be presented to the Macon Community as a tangible token of the  
12 sentiments expressed herein.

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