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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing the 10th anniversary  
of Miami-Dade Days in Tallahassee.

WHEREAS, in 1957, the voters of Dade County approved a  
metropolitan form of government, and Miami-Dade County became  
the first in the state to achieve "home rule" status, and

WHEREAS, since its inception in 1836, Dade County's  
population has grown from an 1850 census count of 96 to over 2  
million, living in 29 municipalities and the vast  
unincorporated areas of the county, and

WHEREAS, aided in part by the mass emigration to the  
area begun in 1960 in the wake of the communist power seizure  
in Cuba, Miami-Dade County, located along the southeastern tip  
of the Florida peninsula, is a vibrant multicultural  
community, truly the "Capital of the Americas," and

WHEREAS, simply known as Metro-Dade, the government,  
recognized as a leading local government in the United States,  
not only provides both neighborhood and countywide services to  
its citizens, but also operates five airports, including Miami  
International, the second busiest for international passenger  
traffic in the Western Hemisphere, and the Port of Miami, the  
largest cruise port in the world and among the busiest cargo  
ports in the hemisphere, and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County enjoys a broad spectrum of  
entertainment and is the chosen home to dozens of  
internationally renowned entertainers, from Sylvester  
Stallone, Madonna, and Julio Iglesias to Gloria and Emilio  
Estefan, and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County is home to the New World  
Symphony, currently celebrating its 10th anniversary as a

1 world-class training orchestra, as well as the internationally  
2 renowned Miami City Ballet, Florida Grand Opera, and dozens of  
3 cultural institutions and museums, and

4 WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County is home to four professional  
5 sports teams, counts tourism as one of its most important  
6 industries, and harvests more tropical vegetables than any  
7 other county in the nation, and

8 WHEREAS, Miami-Dade Community College has been ranked  
9 the best in the nation; the University of Miami, linked with  
10 Jackson Memorial Hospital, is internationally known for its  
11 medical research projects; and Florida International  
12 University is among the top public commuter colleges in the  
13 country, and

14 WHEREAS, 1998 marks the tenth year the area has hosted  
15 Miami-Dade Days in the state capital, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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20 That the House of Representatives hereby recognizes  
21 April 1 and 2, 1998, as the 10th anniversary of Miami-Dade  
22 Days in Tallahassee.

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