1 House Resolution 2 A resolution honoring Carl Sharp. 3 4 WHEREAS, Carl Sharp, cowboy poet, was born May 21, 5 1914, in Florida City, north of Key Largo, and 6 WHEREAS, Carl Sharp earned a degree in electrical 7 engineering and has worked for the Department of Defense, 8 NASA, and the Department of State, and 9 WHEREAS, Carl Sharp began writing cowboy poetry 20 years ago and has been performing professionally for 12 years, 10 11 12 WHEREAS, Carl Sharp has performed at every Cowboy 13 Poet's Gathering in Nevada since it began 14 years ago, was 14 the Official Rodeo Cowboy Poet of the Arcadia All-Florida Championship Rodeo, recited poetry for 7 hours at a meeting of 15 16 the Georgia Poet's Society, and performs all over the country, 17 and 18 WHEREAS, Carl Sharp enjoys performing and traveling not only in this country, but his performances are in demand all 19 20 over the world, including China, Russia, Turkey, and Mexico, 21 and 22 WHEREAS, Carl Sharp's devotion to his country is evidenced not only in his career with the government and his 23 poetry, but also in his greatest gift to this nation, his son 24 25 Carlos Edward Sharp, who gave his life for his country in 26 Desert Storm, NOW, THEREFORE, 27 28 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of 29 Florida: 30 31

That the House of Representatives pauses in its deliberations to honor Carl Sharp for his service to his country and his accomplishments as a cowboy poet. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Carl Sharp as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.