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House Resolution

A resolution honoring Thomas Paul Corr.

WHEREAS, in the 1960's Thomas Paul Corr pioneered the development of the community of Apollo Beach on approximately 6,000 acres of land located in Hillsborough County, south of Tampa Bay, and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida encourages new community development that emphasizes the establishment and sustainability of civic infrastructure which, in turn, leads to a higher quality of life for families who make Florida their home, and

WHEREAS, today Apollo Beach is a thriving community of approximately 10,000 people, and

WHEREAS, Thomas Paul Corr was the co-managing partner of Frandorson Properties, the company responsible for the master planning and development of the community of Apollo Beach, and

WHEREAS, Thomas Paul Corr was a leader and visionary in community development, and

WHEREAS, Thomas Paul Corr's achievements in the area of community development emphasized a personal investment in promoting forward-thinking, planning, and quality development which led to a higher quality of life, and

WHEREAS, Thomas Paul Corr's commitment to high-quality community development was exemplified by numerous activities and initiatives which include dedicating more than 1,000 acres of wetland and natural habitat for permanent protection as an environmental preserve, leading the completion of one of the first and largest development of regional impact studies in Florida, dedicating land for the establishment of the Apollo

1 Beach Elementary School and Maddux Private School, dedicating  
2 land for community parks and recreational areas including the  
3 Apollo Beach Park and the Tampa Sailing Squadron, and  
4 dedicating land for, and helping to establish, the Apollo  
5 Beach Rescue Squad, and

6 WHEREAS, Thomas Paul Corr dedicated his life to  
7 enhancing and promoting the business, economic, and civic  
8 growth and development of South Hillsborough County, and

9 WHEREAS, this dedication was exemplified by his  
10 founding and serving as President of the Apollo Beach Chamber  
11 of Commerce and the Ruskin/Apollo Beach Rotary Club, founding  
12 and serving as Chairman of the Big Bend Area Group and the  
13 South Hillsborough County Economic Development Council, and  
14 founding and serving as Chairman of the Board of the South  
15 Hillsborough Community Bank, and

16 WHEREAS, Thomas Paul Corr made Apollo Beach his home  
17 for more than 30 years, raising a family of four children and  
18 working tirelessly to create a better future for everyone who  
19 lives, works, and plays in Apollo Beach and South Hillsborough  
20 County, and

21 WHEREAS, Thomas Paul Corr, a pioneer in Hillsborough  
22 County and one of its best known and most widely respected  
23 residents passed away on February 7, 1998, and

24 WHEREAS, it is fitting and appropriate that the House  
25 of Representatives honor Thomas Paul Corr for his many  
26 contributions to the citizens of Apollo Beach and South  
27 Hillsborough County, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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1           That the Florida House of Representatives hereby  
2 recognizes the many contributions made by Thomas Paul Corr to  
3 the betterment of his community and expresses its sorrow on  
4 his death.

5           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution,  
6 with the seal of the Florida House of Representatives affixed,  
7 be presented to the family of Thomas Paul Corr as a tangible  
8 token of the sentiments of the Florida House of  
9 Representatives.

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