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A memorial to the Congress of the United
States, urging action by the U.S. Department of
the Army, Corps of Engineers, Jacksonville
Division, and Region IV of the Environmental
Protection Agency, relating to wetland
jurisdiction.
WHEREAS, the State of Florida has implemented a
statewide streamlined wetland delineation methodology that
does not compromise wetland protection and provides a unified
definition and methodology binding all state, regional, and
local governments and agencies, and
WHEREAS, the federal delineation methodology results in
a slightly different wetland line in certain areas than the
unified statewide methodology for the delineation of wetlands,
and
WHEREAS, the state wishes to ensure continued
coordination with federal wetland planning and regulation
without unnecessary duplication, needless paperwork, and
delays, and
WHEREAS, the federal agencies' use of the Florida
statewide unified wetland delineation methodology would
eliminate substantial transactional costs, NOW, THEREFORE,
Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:
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That the State of Florida supports action by the U.S.
Congress, the congressional delegation from Florida, the

30 Administrator and Regional Administrator for Region IV of the 31 United States Environmental Protection Agency, the Secretary

of the Army, and the District Engineer for the Jacksonville Division of the Corps of Engineers that would result in the federal agencies implementing section 404 of the Clean Water Act and section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act adopting and using Florida's statewide wetland definition and delineation methodology.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be dispatched to the President of the United States, to the President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the United States House of Representatives, and to each member of the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.