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House Memorial

A memorial to the Congress of the United States, urging Congress to provide the State of Florida with information available to the United States Government regarding any Florida resident who is classified as a United States POW/MIA.

WHEREAS, the men and women of the United States Armed Forces are trained and dedicated to protect the security of our nation, and

WHEREAS, these men and women have devoted themselves to the task of protecting our lives and liberty as United States citizens, and

WHEREAS, all Americans derive inspiration from the sacrifices members of the Armed Services have endured during captivity as prisoners of war, and

WHEREAS, the courage of the families of those members of the Armed Services who still remain missing or unaccounted for is also a great source of inspiration and admiration for all Americans, and

WHEREAS, Americans recognize the special debt of gratitude owed to those who have sacrificed their freedom in the service of our country, and

WHEREAS, as a reaffirmation of our commitment to the courageous families of these military personnel, the State of Florida pledges to officially inquire as to the identity of any Florida resident whom the United States Government classifies as a POW/MIA, and

WHEREAS, the State of Florida, upon official notification that a Florida resident is classified as a United

1 States POW/MIA, vows to officially act to ascertain
2 information regarding the POW/MIA's well-being, and to do all
3 that is within the power of the State of Florida to ensure his
4 or her safe return, NOW, THEREFORE,

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6 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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8 That the Congress of the United States is requested to
9 provide the State of Florida with any information available to
10 the United States Government regarding any Florida resident
11 who is classified as a United States POW/MIA in order that the
12 State of Florida, upon official notification that a Florida
13 resident is so classified, may commence official action to
14 ascertain information regarding the POW/MIA's well-being and
15 endeavor to bring about his or her safe return to the United
16 States.

17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
18 sent to the President of the United States, the President of
19 the United States Senate, the Speaker of the United States
20 House of Representatives, and to each member of the Florida
21 delegation to the United States Congress.

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