

By Representative Cantens

1 House Resolution

2 A resolution honoring the 14th Dalai Lama.

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4 WHEREAS, His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama, Tenzin
5 Gyatso, is head of state and spiritual leader of the Tibetan
6 people, and

7 WHEREAS, born in 1935, the Dalai Lama assumed full
8 political power as head of the state and government of Tibet
9 on November 17, 1950, after some 80,000 soldiers of the
10 Chinese Peoples Liberation Army invaded Tibet, and

11 WHEREAS, since establishing the Tibetan
12 Government-in-Exile in Dharamsala, India, in 1960, the Dalai
13 Lama has struggled to aid Tibetan refugees and preserve
14 Tibetan language, history, religion, and culture, while
15 courageously promoting the liberation of Tibet through
16 peaceful negotiations and reconciliation, and

17 WHEREAS, the Dalai Lama was awarded the Nobel Peace
18 Prize in 1989, and has received worldwide recognition and
19 praise for his leadership in seeking solutions to
20 international conflicts, human rights issues, and global
21 environmental problems, and

22 WHEREAS, it is altogether fitting and appropriate that
23 the House of Representatives pause in its deliberations to
24 honor the Dalai Lama and commend his achievements, NOW,
25 THEREFORE,

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27 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
28 Florida:

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30 That the House of Representatives does hereby accord
31 its deepest respect and admiration for the ideals and

1 outstanding achievements of His Holiness the 14th Dalai Lama,
2 Tenzin Gyatso, and commends his struggle to preserve the
3 historical and cultural heritage of the Tibetan people, as
4 well as his courageous endeavors on behalf of peace, freedom,
5 tolerance, and mutual respect for all people.

6 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution
7 be presented to a representative of the Dalai Lama as a
8 tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.

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