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House Resolution

A resolution commending the Spruce Creek High School High Steppin' Hawks Marching Band.

WHEREAS, the High Steppin' Hawks Marching Band of Spruce Creek High School in Port Orange, Florida, has been invited to Pasadena, California, to participate in the 112th annual Tournament of Roses Parade on January 1, 2001, making the band the first Volusia County high school band to be invited to the parade since 1972, and

WHEREAS, the High Steppin' Hawks Marching Band is one of only 16 bands invited to participate in the 2001 parade, representing the seven southeastern states of Florida, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, and Oklahoma, and

WHEREAS, for the past 15 years, the High Steppin' Hawks Marching Band has earned distinction in countless marching band festivals and competitions, including superior ratings at Florida Bandmasters Association Festivals, and

WHEREAS, the High Steppin' Hawks Marching Band has further distinguished itself through its appearance in the inaugural parade for Governor Jeb Bush and repeat performances at Tampa Bay Buccaneers football games, Mardi Gras parades in New Orleans, and Peach Bowl Festivals, as well as having participated in the 25th Anniversary Main Street, U.S.A., Parade at Walt Disney World and having earned the distinction of Grand Champion at the Ancient City Presentation of Bands of St. Augustine, Florida, in 1999, and

WHEREAS, the Tournament of Roses Parade is considered by many to be the most prestigious parade in the world, with a curbside audience of over one million and a television

1 audience of nearly 400 million people in more than 100  
2 countries, and

3 WHEREAS, the High Steppin' Hawks Marching Band is proud  
4 to represent Volusia County and the State of Florida at the  
5 112th annual Tournament of Roses Parade, NOW, THEREFORE,

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7 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of  
8 Florida:

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10 That the House of Representatives pauses in its  
11 deliberations to extend heartiest congratulations to the  
12 Spruce Creek High School High Steppin' Hawks Marching Band on  
13 their invitation to participate in the 112th Tournament of  
14 Roses Parade, and expresses its sincere pride and best wishes  
15 to the band as it represents the State of Florida in Pasadena,  
16 California, on January 1, 2001.

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