By Representatives Casey, Andrews, J. Miller, Bilirakis, Johnson, Crow, K. Smith, Chestnut, Logan, Flanagan, Dockery, Putnam, Lynn, Wasserman Schultz, Sublette, Cosgrove, Stafford, Heyman, Goodlette, Alexander, Turnbull, Wiles, Fuller, Ryan, (Additional Sponsors on Last Printed Page)

1 House Resolution A resolution in recognition of the University 2 3 of Florida Men's Basketball Team. 4 5 WHEREAS, the University of Florida Men's Basketball Team finished the 1999-2000 season as co-champions of the 6 7 Southeastern Conference, and 8 WHEREAS, the Gators' regular season record of 23-6 9 earned them an invitation to the NCAA Basketball Tournament, 10 and 11 WHEREAS, the Gators defeated Butler, Illinois, Duke, 12 and Oklahoma State to win the NCAA East Regional and advance 13 to the tournament's Final Four for the second time in school 14 history, and 15 WHEREAS, Florida's victory over Duke in the East 16 Regional was the first in school history over a 17 number-one-ranked opponent, and WHEREAS, Mike Miller, Brett Nelson, and Udonis Haslem 18 19 were named to the five-man All Tournament Team, and Miller was named the Most Valuable Player of the East Region, and 20 21 WHEREAS, the Gators defeated North Carolina 71-59 in the semifinal round of the championship and lost to Michigan 22 State 89-76 in the National Championship game, finishing the 23 season with the highest ranking in school history, and 24 WHEREAS, Head Basketball Coach Billy Donovan, his 25 26 staff, and players have brought outstanding recognition to themselves, the University of Florida, and the State of 27 Florida through their accomplishments, NOW, THEREFORE, 28 29 30 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

That the House of Representatives of the State of Florida hereby honors the University of Florida Men's Basketball Team for its outstanding regular-season and post-season play and for advancing to the National Championship game of the 2000 NCAA Division I Men's Basketball Tournament.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be presented to University of Florida Head Coach Billy Donovan and University of Florida Athletic Director Jeremy Foley as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.

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