

By Representative Thrasher

1 House Resolution

2 A resolution commending United States Senator
3 Connie Mack for his outstanding service and
4 contributions to the United States of America
5 and to the State of Florida.

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7 WHEREAS, Connie Mack was elected in 1982 to the United
8 States House of Representatives to represent the 13th
9 Congressional District of Florida, and served in the House of
10 Representatives for three terms with honor and distinction,
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12 WHEREAS, Congressman Connie Mack was elected in 1988 to
13 the United States Senate in one of the closest elections in
14 the history of the State of Florida, and

15 WHEREAS, Senator Connie Mack was overwhelmingly
16 reelected to the United States Senate in 1994, thus becoming
17 the first Republican in Florida to be reelected to the United
18 States Senate since reconstruction, and

19 WHEREAS, as chairman of the Senate Republican
20 Conference, Senator Connie Mack is the third-ranking member of
21 the Senate Republican leadership, and

22 WHEREAS, Senator Connie Mack is to be commended for his
23 commitment to the belief that success and prosperity emerge
24 from the spirit of creativity and entrepreneurship that
25 resides within individuals, not government, and to the belief
26 in the principles of less taxing, less spending, less
27 government, and more freedom, and

28 WHEREAS, because of his commitment to conservative
29 principles, Senator Connie Mack was strongly considered by
30 Republican presidential nominee Senator Robert J. Dole of
31 Kansas to be his Vice Presidential running mate in 1996, and

1 WHEREAS, Senator Connie Mack is a fervent supporter of
2 efforts to promote freedom, protect human rights, and defend
3 democratic principles both in this county and around the
4 world, and

5 WHEREAS, Senator Connie Mack believes the Federal
6 Government should play an integral role in furthering medical
7 research, and is to be commended for his efforts to increase
8 federal funding for medical research being conducted at the
9 National Institutes of Health, and

10 WHEREAS, Senator Connie Mack and his wife, Priscilla
11 Mack, both cancer survivors, have worked tirelessly to promote
12 early-detection cancer programs, cancer-prevention programs,
13 and innovative cancer treatment options, and have been
14 recognized for their efforts by such organizations as the
15 American Cancer Society, the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer
16 Foundation, the National Coalition for Cancer Survivors, and
17 the Don Shula Foundation, and Senator Connie Mack co-founded
18 the United States Senate Cancer Coalition to heighten public
19 awareness of the importance of cancer research, and

20 WHEREAS, Senator Connie Mack has fought hard to protect
21 and restore the Everglades as well as safeguard Florida's
22 environmentally sensitive coastal lands and waters from the
23 dangers of oil and natural gas exploration and drilling, and

24 WHEREAS, Senator Connie Mack is to be commended for his
25 efforts to ensure that the State of Florida receives its fair
26 share of federal funds from Washington, D.C., and has
27 successfully fought for increased federal transportation
28 funding so that our state can keep up with the infrastructure
29 demands caused by our ever-increasing population, and

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1 WHEREAS, Senator Connie Mack has fought for more Major
2 League Baseball in Florida, and his efforts were featured in a
3 60 Minutes segment, and

4 WHEREAS, Senator Connie Mack's vision, determination,
5 and commitment have helped make our state a better place to
6 live, work, and raise a family, and

7 WHEREAS, Senator Connie Mack has been a principled and
8 compassionate leader in Congress for nearly 18 years and has
9 represented the State of Florida in our nation's capital with
10 distinction, honor, and integrity, and, NOW, THEREFORE,

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12 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
13 Florida:

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15 That the House of Representatives of the State of
16 Florida commends United States Senator Connie Mack for his
17 outstanding service and contributions to the United States of
18 America and to the citizens of the great State of Florida.

19 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution
20 be presented to United States Senator Connie Mack as a
21 tangible token of the sentiments herein.

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