## Florida House of Representatives - 2001 By Representative Fasano

House Resolution 1 2 A resolution commending The James Madison 3 Institute: A Foundation for Florida's Future. 4 5 WHEREAS, due to term limits, the General Election of 6 2000 saw the arrival of an unprecedented number of new members 7 to the Florida House of Representatives, and WHEREAS, Tom Feeney, Speaker of the Florida House of 8 Representatives, held the vision that the one best way to 9 provide the newly elected members with the information they 10 11 would need to be effective was to devote a significant amount 12 of time early in their term to a comprehensive, 13 information-based orientation, and 14 WHEREAS, Speaker Feeney asked The James Madison Institute: A Foundation for Florida's Future to assist him in 15 16 realizing his vision by coordinating such a program, and WHEREAS, The James Madison Institute responded with 17 enthusiasm and developed "Leadership NOW," a bipartisan, 18 19 multi-philosophical ten-day series of orientation panels, 20 informational sessions, and associated activities spread over 21 five weeks during the months of November and December 2000 and 22 January 2001, and WHEREAS, such a program was unprecedented in Florida 23 and in the nation at large and, as executed, met with the 24 25 approval of all concerned, most especially the newly elected 26 members of the House of Representatives who were the primary 27 beneficiaries, and 28 WHEREAS, the five weeks of the Leadership NOW program were produced using little public money and, as a result, the 29 30 cost to taxpayers was less than the amount spent in Florida in 31 1

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1 previous years for shorter programs with less content, NOW, 2 THEREFORE, 3 4 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of 5 Florida: 6 7 That Speaker Tom Feeney, the Majority and Democratic 8 Leadership Teams, and the Members of the Florida House of Representatives herewith express their deep appreciation to 9 10 The James Madison Institute and its officers and staff: The Honorable Mallory E. Horne, Chairman; Edwin H. Moore II, 11 12 President; Dr. J. Stanley Marshall, Founding Chairman; Dr. 13 Peter Doherty; Dr. Kimble Ainslie; Sonja Woodham; Evelverlon 14 Johnson; Susan Christian; and Rosemary Dupras for undertaking 15 and successfully executing the responsibilities of producing 16 Leadership NOW. 17 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to the officers and staff of The James Madison 18 19 Institute who produced Leadership NOW as a tangible token of 20 the sentiments expressed herein. 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

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