

1 House Resolution

2 A resolution commending The James Madison
3 Institute: A Foundation for Florida's Future.

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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

8 WHEREAS, Tom Feeney, Speaker of the Florida House of
9 Representatives, held the vision that the one best way to
10 provide the newly elected members with the information they
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
15 Institute: A Foundation for Florida's Future to assist him in
16 realizing his vision by coordinating such a program, and

17 WHEREAS, The James Madison Institute responded with
18 enthusiasm and developed "Leadership NOW," a bipartisan,
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

23 WHEREAS, such a program was unprecedented in Florida
24 and in the nation at large and, as executed, met with the
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
29 were produced using little public money and, as a result, the
30 cost to taxpayers was less than the amount spent in Florida in
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1 previous years for shorter programs with less content, NOW,
2 THEREFORE,

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4 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
5 Florida:

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7 That Speaker Tom Feeney and Members of the Florida
8 House of Representatives herewith express their deep
9 appreciation to The James Madison Institute and its officers
10 and staff: The Honorable Mallory E. Horne, Chairman; Edwin H.
11 Moore II, President; Dr. J. Stanley Marshall, Founding
12 Chairman; Dr. Peter Doherty; Dr. Kimble Ainslie; Sonja
13 Woodham; Evelverlon Johnson; Susan Christian; and Rosemary
14 Dupras for undertaking and successfully executing the
15 responsibilities of producing Leadership NOW.

16 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution
17 be presented to the officers and staff of The James Madison
18 Institute who produced Leadership NOW as a tangible token of
19 the sentiments expressed herein.

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