

By Representative Flanagan

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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing January 30, 2002, as
the 100th anniversary of Goodwill Industries.

WHEREAS, Goodwill Industries was founded in Boston in
1902 by the Reverend Edgar Helms, who formed the enterprise as
an opportunity for his parishioners to earn wages by repairing
and selling donated articles, and

WHEREAS, Goodwill Industries provides employment, job
training, and career services for people who are disabled or
who face other disadvantages, such as welfare dependency,
illiteracy, a criminal history, or homelessness, and

WHEREAS, in order to fund its work, Goodwill Industries
collects donated clothing and household goods and sells these
items in its retail stores throughout North America and the
entire world, and

WHEREAS, during its 100-year existence, Goodwill
Industries has helped more than 5 million people through its
programs and services, and in the year 2001 provided
opportunities and training services for more than 70,000
individuals in the State of Florida alone, and

WHEREAS, on January 30, 2002, Goodwill Industries
celebrates its 100th anniversary, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the Florida House of Representatives congratulates
the Florida Goodwill Association and Goodwill Industries the
world over on the occasion of the 100th anniversary of the
organization and commends the organization for its valuable

1 programs, which have expanded the opportunities and
2 occupational capabilities of millions of Americans.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution
4 be presented to the Reverend Mr. Donald L. Roberts, President
5 of the Florida Goodwill Association, as a tangible token of
6 the sentiments of the Florida House of Representatives.

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