

By Representative Melvin

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House Resolution

A resolution honoring William H. Gates III.

WHEREAS, William H. Gates III has demonstrated his leadership, vision, and concern for education by his strong financial support of education nationwide through the operation of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, and

WHEREAS, through the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, William H. Gates III has clearly shown his firm belief in the use of the technology developed by his companies to meet the educational needs of young people, to recognize and encourage high achievement, and to develop strong leadership, and

WHEREAS, William H. Gates III has, through the foundation, awarded Florida schools \$5.5 million over a period of three years with which to provide school superintendents and principals, both public and private, opportunities to develop knowledge and skills in the effective use of technology as a means of promoting student learning, and

WHEREAS, in addition, Microsoft Corporation has contributed \$1,345,781 in funds and materials to libraries, universities, schools, and other educational entities in the state of Florida alone, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the House of Representatives hereby recognizes William H. Gates III for his commitment to education and for his generosity in providing the citizens of Florida, by means of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, expanded learning

1 opportunities through the use of technology and technological
2 infrastructure in the state's schools and communities.

3 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution
4 be presented to William H. Gates III as a token of the
5 gratitude and appreciation expressed herein.

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