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House Resolution

A resolution honoring Miguel A. Estrada.

WHEREAS, acclaimed by his colleagues, both conservatives and liberals alike, as one of the most brilliant and effective appellate lawyers of the country, Miguel A. Estrada has been nominated by President Bush to fill a vacancy on the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit, one of the most prestigious courts of appeals in the nation, and

WHEREAS, a native of Honduras, Miguel Estrada arrived in the United States at age 17 and within five years had adapted to a new culture, mastered a new language, and received a bachelor's degree magna cum laude from Columbia College in New York City before enrolling in Harvard Law School, where he earned his law degree magna cum laude, and

WHEREAS, demonstrating a remarkable command of the law and an equally impressive ability to comprehend complicated legal issues, Mr. Estrada was chosen early in his career for a Supreme Court clerkship, among the most prestigious and competitive positions a young attorney could obtain and one in which few Hispanics have ever served, and

WHEREAS, Mr. Estrada's honesty and intellect, his deep respect for the law and commitment to follow it faithfully irrespective of his personal or political views, and his genuine compassion and concern for all have earned him unparalleled praise, trust, and support among his peers, in government circles, and within the Hispanic community, NOW, THEREFORE,

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



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That the House of Representatives honors Miquel A. Estrada for his superior talents and accomplishments and commends him as a worthy role model, not only for all immigrants who make this nation their home, but for all Americans who aspire to a better life for themselves and their families.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Miguel A. Estrada as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.