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House Resolution

A resolution urging Floridians to forgo the use of French wines for the duration of any action against Iraq.

WHEREAS, French wines are luxuries enjoyed by many Floridians and are symbolic of the close alliance enjoyed by the United States and France that dates back to French support of the American colonists during their struggle for independence and includes the instrumental role of the United States in ending the occupation of France during World War II, and

WHEREAS, for more than a decade, since the end of the Persian Gulf War in 1991, Iraq has methodically stockpiled weapons of mass destruction in direct defiance of United Nations resolutions forbidding such actions, and

WHEREAS, President Bush and leaders of such allies as England and Spain have exhibited marvelous diplomacy and patience in their resolve to effect a peaceful enforcement of these resolutions, only to have their efforts met with solid resistance from Iraq, and

WHEREAS, French leadership has taken a determined stance against United States policy in this matter, including an official commitment to veto any resolution calling for military action to curtail Iraq's amassing of dangerous chemical and biological weapons, and

WHEREAS, United States troops and those of our allies are worthy of the wholehearted support of all Americans during this time of grave danger and uncertainty, NOW, THEREFORE,

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



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That the House of Representatives urges all Floridians to forgo the use of French wines during the conflict with Iraq as an expression of outrage against the blatant opposition of French leadership to Allied efforts to enforce United Nations resolutions forbidding development of arms by Iraq.