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## House Resolution

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2 A resolution recognizing April 17, 2003, as Aviation Day  
3 in Florida.  
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5 WHEREAS, the aviation industry is one of the cornerstones  
6 of Florida's economy, with 19 commercial service airports and  
7 111 general aviation airports that are open to the public and  
8 more than 550 private airports, and

9 WHEREAS, Florida's airports provide nearly \$90 billion  
10 annually in economic activity, and its aviation industry  
11 supports over one million jobs that generate more than \$26  
12 billion in annual payroll, and

13 WHEREAS, Florida has the largest flight training industry  
14 in the world, and

15 WHEREAS, Florida's commercial service airports provide  
16 nonstop scheduled service to 160 domestic and international  
17 destinations, serve 110 million passengers annually, handle 6  
18 percent of the nation's air cargo, and carry in excess of 50  
19 percent of the visitors that come to the state each year, and

20 WHEREAS, each year, Florida's general aviation aircraft  
21 bring 9 million visitors to the state, and its general aviation  
22 airports house 14,000 aircraft, comprising 6 percent of the  
23 nation's general aviation fleet, and accommodate 7 million  
24 takeoffs and landings yearly, ranking Florida second in the  
25 nation in this area, NOW, THEREFORE,

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27 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of  
28 Florida:  
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30           That the Members of the House of Representatives  
31 enthusiastically acknowledge the outstanding contributions made  
32 by the more than one million employees of the aviation industry  
33 of the state and are pleased to recognize April 17, 2003, as  
34 Aviation Day in Florida.