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1 House Memorial

2 A memorial to the Congress of the United States urging
3 Congress to pass H.R. 3190 and S. 1558 and to propose, for
4 ratification by the states, an amendment to the United
5 States Constitution that would preclude any prohibition or
6 limitation on the recital or display of historical verses,
7 mottos, or documents referencing God in any public place.

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9 WHEREAS, the 108th Congress has introduced in the United
10 State House of Representatives H.R. 3190, the "Safeguarding Our
11 Religious Liberties Act," and

12 WHEREAS, the Florida House of Representatives requests all
13 members of the United States House of Representatives
14 representing the State of Florida to cosponsor H.R. 3190, and

15 WHEREAS, the 108th Congress has introduced in the United
16 States Senate S. 1558, the "Religious Liberties Restoration
17 Act," and

18 WHEREAS, the Florida House of Representatives requests
19 United States Senators Bob Graham and Bill Nelson, representing
20 the State of Florida, to cosponsor S. 1558, and

21 WHEREAS, the Florida House of Representatives encourages
22 the United States Senate and the United States House of
23 Representatives to propose, for ratification by the states, an
24 amendment to the Constitution of the United States to read that
25 nothing in the Constitution shall be construed to prohibit or
26 otherwise limit the practice of individual or group prayer, the
27 reading or posting of the Ten Commandments, the recital of the
28 Pledge of Allegiance, and the display of the motto "In God We
29 Trust" or similar phrases from historical documents referencing
30 God in any public place, including a school; nor shall it

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31 require any person to join in prayer or other religious
32 activity, NOW, THEREFORE,

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34 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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36 That the Congress of the United States is encouraged to
37 pass H.R. 3190 and S. 1558 and to propose, for ratification by
38 the states, an amendment to the United States Constitution that
39 would preclude any prohibition or limitation on the recital or
40 display of historical verses, mottos, or documents referencing
41 God in any public place.

42 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
43 dispatched to the President of the United States, to the
44 President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the
45 United States House of Representatives, and to each member of
46 the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.