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A resolution requesting the Congressional Delegation of the State of Florida to support the President's efforts to

protect the United States from terrorists and the

proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

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WHEREAS, in the immortal words of former President Franklin Delano Roosevelt, "When you see a rattlesnake posed to strike, you do not wait until he has struck before you crush him," and

WHEREAS, the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, showed that new deadly challenges have emerged from rogue states and terrorists, and

WHEREAS, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction has fundamentally changed the nature of threats against the United States and our allies, and

WHEREAS, a coordinated chemical, biological, or nuclear attack against the United States or our allies will cost the lives of millions of innocent Americans and other individuals, as well as cause immeasurable damage to the United States and world economies, and

WHEREAS, the United States cannot wait patiently and allow radical regimes that support terrorism to acquire or manufacture illegal weapons of mass destruction and pass them onto terrorist organizations, and

WHEREAS, if the United States does not meet this terrorist threat in the streets of Baghdad and Kandahar, Americans will be forced to fight terrorists in the streets of Boston and Kansas City, and

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WHEREAS, President Bush has correctly stated that the United States has the right to defend the United States or our allies if the world community refuses to enforce the rule of law to deter or remove future threats from tyrannical regimes and the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the House of Representatives of the State of Florida requests that our Representatives and Senators in the United States Congress support President Bush and his efforts to keep the United States and our allies safe from terrorists, dangerous authoritarian regimes, and weapons of mass destruction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution be transmitted to the members of the Congressional Delegation of the State of Florida.