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House Resolution

A resolution honoring Partners for Highway Safety.

WHEREAS, born out of the pain and heartbreak of parents grieving over the loss of their only child, Partners for Highway Safety was founded on September 18, 1992, in memory of Gregory Paul Burris, whose life ended abruptly on May 9, 1992, less than 24 hours after his seventeenth birthday, and

WHEREAS, composed for the most part of parents, family members, and friends who have been touched by the tragic loss of a child to a traffic crash, Partners for Highway Safety is a nonprofit youth traffic safety organization that strives, through public awareness and education, to reduce injuries and fatalities among teenagers as a result of automobile crashes, and

WHEREAS, through innovative programs that are recognized as fresh, unique, and effective, Partners for Highway Safety stresses the importance of using safety belts, of proper driver's training, and of personal responsibility for the effects of intoxicating substances on the operation and control of a vehicle, and

WHEREAS, a superlative example of the programs offered by Partners for Highway Safety is the Collision Avoidance Training program, or C.A.T., a two-day advanced defensive driving and vehicle control program the objective of which is to enhance young drivers' awareness of the complex task of operating a motor vehicle and to learn and practice skills that will prepare them to anticipate and handle hazards that occur daily in normal driving conditions, and

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30 WHEREAS, Partners for Highway Safety has received many
31 richly deserved state and national awards for its remarkable
32 success in reaching and modifying the attitudes of Florida's
33 teenage drivers, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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38 That the House of Representatives recognizes Partners for
39 Highway Safety for its commitment to promoting good habits,
40 skills, and attitudes among the state's teenage drivers and
41 extends its heartfelt gratitude on behalf of all Floridians for
42 its truly outstanding accomplishments.