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Senate Resolution No. ____

A resolution recognizing April 12, 2005, as
Aviation Day in Florida.

WHEREAS, the aviation industry is one of the
cornerstones of Florida's economy, with 19 commercial service
airports and 111 general aviation airports that are open to
the public and more than 550 private airports, and

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

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

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

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

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

That the Florida Senate acknowledges the outstanding
contributions made by the more than one million employees of

1 | the aviation industry of the state and is pleased to recognize
2 | April 12, 2005, as Aviation Day in Florida.

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