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Senate Resolution No. ____

A resolution recognizing April 29, 2005, as
"Dale Earnhardt Day" in Florida.

WHEREAS, NASCAR racing legend Dale Earnhardt, born
April 29, 1951, in Kannapolis, North Carolina, won many stock
car races at all levels in Florida as well as in numerous
other states, and

WHEREAS, known as The Intimidator, Dale Earnhardt
brought excitement and joy to his many fans in Florida and
throughout the entire world by his phenomenal accomplishments,
including his winning seven Winston Cup championships, a
NASCAR record, and

WHEREAS, Dale Earnhardt amassed 76 Winston Cup
victories during his more than 30-year racing career and
established a track record of 34 wins at the Daytona
International Speedway, and

WHEREAS, never one to turn back from a challenge, Dale
Earnhardt, in his twentieth attempt, won the fortieth annual
Daytona 500, and

WHEREAS, as President of Dale Earnhardt, Inc., in 1999,
the legendary racer claimed the NASCAR Busch Series Owner's
championship at the Homestead-Miami Speedway in Homestead,
and, on five occasions, he was named Driver of the Year by the
National Motorsports Press Association, and

WHEREAS, an outstanding sportsman and citizen whose
indomitable character and determination inspired young people
the world over, Dale Earnhardt, on February 18, 2001, was
tragically taken from his family, his friends, and his fans on
the final lap of the Daytona 500, and

1 WHEREAS, it is appropriate to pay tribute to the life
2 of this extraordinary individual who meant so much to the
3 people of this state, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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7 That April 29, 2005, is recognized as "Dale Earnhardt Day" in
8 Florida.

9 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution,
10 with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to the
11 Earnhardt family as a tangible token of the sentiments of the
12 Florida Senate.

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