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House Resolution

A resolution commending the University of Florida Men's Basketball Team.

WHEREAS, the University of Florida Men's Basketball Team has compiled 23 wins during the 2004-2005 season, its seventh consecutive 20-win season after achieving 20 wins only five times in the preceding 77 seasons, and

WHEREAS, under Coach Billy Donovan, the University of Florida Gators have won two Southeastern Conference regular season championships and have made one appearance in the National Collegiate Athletic Association Championship game, and

WHEREAS, the Florida Gators defeated the University of Alabama 68-62 and Mississippi State University 80-64 to reach the SEC Tournament final, and

WHEREAS, the Florida Gators defeated the Kentucky Wildcats 70-53 in Atlanta, Georgia, to earn their first-ever SEC Tournament Championship, securing their seventh consecutive NCAA Tournament appearance, and

WHEREAS, the Florida Gators will face Ohio University in the first round of the 2005 NCAA Division I Basketball Championship in Nashville, Tennessee, on March 18, 2005, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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28 That the House of Representatives salutes the University of
29 Florida Men's Basketball Team for its sustained excellence and
30 for winning the 2005 Southeastern Conference Tournament
31 Championship.

32 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
33 presented to the University of Florida Men's Basketball Team as
34 a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.