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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution commending the East Gadsden High School
3 Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps.

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5 WHEREAS, in its first competition outside the state and its
6 first on this level, on March 19, 2005, the East Gadsden High
7 School Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps participated in
8 the Second Annual Army Eastern Region Drill Championship in
9 Landover, Maryland, the only school from Florida to do so, and

10 WHEREAS, the East Gadsden High cadets represented their
11 school, county, and state admirably in all five events of the
12 Armed Division - Platoon Regulation Drill, In-Ranks Inspection,
13 Squad Exhibition, Color Guard, and Academic - performing with
14 the same dedication, perseverance, and hard work that has made
15 them winners at regional and state levels, including a state
16 championship for two consecutive seasons, and

17 WHEREAS, the East Gadsden High School JROTC Color Guard, in
18 keeping with its "win or place" record in every competition
19 during this school term, made Gadsden County history when it
20 placed third among 33 other outstanding high school and military
21 academy drill teams from throughout the Eastern Region of the
22 United States, and

23 WHEREAS, trained by and under the direction of Master
24 Sergeant Jerome A. Kerrison, Sergeant First Class Michael
25 Williams, and Demetri Webb, the East Gadsden County High School
26 JROTC has compiled a record that marks 2004-2005 as the first
27 year the Male Color Guard has either placed or won in every meet
28 in which it has participated, including state and Cadet Command

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29 Eastern Regional Championship; the second consecutive year the
30 drill team has won at least five trophies at the state meet; the
31 second year the team has won first place at a state competition;
32 the first year the team has competed outside of Florida; and the
33 first year two female unarmed squads qualified for state
34 competition, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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39 That the cadets and officers of the East Gadsden High
40 School Junior Reserve Officers' Training Corps are recognized
41 for their superb 2004-2005 record, are commended for their fine
42 representation of their school, county, and state, and are
43 congratulated for their outstanding showing in the United States
44 Army Cadet Command Eastern Regional Championship.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
46 presented to the East Gadsden High School JROTC as a tangible
47 token of the sentiments expressed herein.