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House Memorial

A memorial to the Congress of the United States urging the immediate and permanent repeal of the death tax.

5 WHEREAS, under federal tax relief legislation passed in 6 2001, the death tax was temporarily phased out but not 7 permanently eliminated, and

8 WHEREAS, farmers and other small business owners face 9 losing their farms and businesses if the Federal Government 10 resumes the heavy taxation of citizens at death, and

11 WHEREAS, the death tax is particularly damaging to families 12 who are trying to accumulate wealth for the first time, and

WHEREAS, employees suffer layoffs when small and medium-sized businesses are liquidated to pay death taxes, and

15 WHEREAS, if the death tax had been repealed in 1996, the 16 United States economy would have realized billions of dollars 17 each year in extra output, and an average of 145,000 new jobs 18 would have been created, and

WHEREAS, the United States Congress has repeatedly passed
legislation repealing the death tax, which shows widespread,
bipartisan support for such a repeal, NOW, THEREFORE,

23 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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That the United States Congress is requested to immediately and permanently repeal the death tax.

27 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be 28 dispatched to the President of the United States, to the 29 President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the Page 1 of 2 CODING: Words stricken are deletions; words underlined are additions.

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30 United States House of Representatives, and to each member of31 the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.

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