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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution honoring Jack Nicklaus.

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4 WHEREAS, Jack Nicklaus, as a 10-year-old, carded 51 in the
5 first nine holes he ever played, winning the Scioto Club
6 Juvenile Trophy to start an amateur record that would include
7 numerous Ohio state championships; the U.S. National Jaycees
8 Championship, his first national title, when he was 17; a year
9 later, the Trans-Mississippi Championship; and at 19 and again
10 at 21, in his last year as an amateur, the U.S. Amateur
11 Championship, and

12 WHEREAS, born January 21, 1940, in Columbus, Ohio, Jack
13 Nicklaus in 1962 launched his 41-year professional career,
14 during which he would amass a total of 113 victories around the
15 world; rank number 1 in lowest-scoring average eight times; win
16 top money eight times, for official tour earnings of \$5,723,192;
17 claim the most major championship titles, comprised of 18 PGA
18 tour, 8 Senior tour, and 2 Amateur titles; and shoot 20 holes in
19 one, and

20 WHEREAS, Jack Nicklaus was awarded nine Greatest
21 Golfer/Athlete awards and two Golfer of the Century awards and
22 was named PGA Player of the Year five times, Athlete of the
23 Decade for the 1970's, and Golf Course Architect of the Year in
24 1993, and

25 WHEREAS, Jack Nicklaus distinguished himself in numerous
26 other golf competitions, including the British and Australian
27 Opens, the World Series of Golf, the World Cup Invitational, and
28 the Piccadilly World Cup Match Play and as a member of six

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29 United States Ryder Cup teams that played Britain for five wins
30 and one tie, and

31 WHEREAS, known for their involvement in charitable causes,
32 Palm Beach County residents Jack and Barbara Nicklaus, with
33 their family, founded the Nicklaus Children's Health Care
34 Foundation, which, in addition to its support of various
35 activities related to childhood diseases and disorders, also
36 funds the Nicklaus Children's Hospital at St. Mary's Medical
37 Center, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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42 That the House of Representatives pauses in its
43 deliberations to honor Jack Nicklaus, one of golf's truly great
44 champions.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
46 presented to Jack Nicklaus as a tangible token of the sentiments
47 expressed herein.