

HR 9067

2006

1 House Resolution

2 A resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of the
3 University of South Florida and designating April 18,
4 2006, as "USF Day" in the State Capitol and throughout the
5 State of Florida.

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7 WHEREAS, on December 18, 1956, Fowler Avenue property in
8 Hillsborough County was approved as the site for the new
9 university created by the Florida Legislature when HB 1007
10 became law on June 18, 1955, and

11 WHEREAS, the University of South Florida, opened as the
12 first independent state university conceived, planned, and built
13 in the 20th century, initially admitted 1,667 students and has
14 since blossomed into a multicampus Research I Metropolitan
15 Institution with campuses in Hillsborough, Pinellas, Sarasota-
16 Manatee, and Polk Counties, and

17 WHEREAS, currently serving more than 43,000 students, the
18 university offers about 7,000 courses leading to 88
19 baccalaureate degrees, 87 master's degrees, and 39 doctor of
20 philosophy degrees and boasts over 181,000 alumni, more than
21 90,000 of whom live, work, and volunteer in the Tampa Bay Area,
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23 WHEREAS, USF brings the force of a \$3.2-billion annual
24 economic impact to the region it serves, and

25 WHEREAS, the USF Bulls comprise the Tampa Bay Region's
26 Division 1-A Home Teams, bringing top-level competition to the
27 area as members of the Big East Conference, NOW, THEREFORE,
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29 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
30 | Florida:

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32 | That the House of Representatives congratulates the
33 | University of South Florida as it celebrates its 50th
34 | anniversary in 2006 and designates April 18, 2006, as "USF Day"
35 | in the State Capitol and throughout the State of Florida.

36 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
37 | presented to Judy Genshaft, Ph.D., President, University of
38 | South Florida, as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed
39 | herein.