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## 1 House Resolution

2 A resolution honoring Jorge L. Arrizurieta.

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4 WHEREAS, Jorge L. Arrizurieta, appointed by Governor Jeb  
5 Bush in June 2003 to lead efforts to have the Free Trade Area of  
6 the Americas Secretariat sited in Miami-Dade, raised substantial  
7 public and private funds and worked closely with leaders in the  
8 state, in Washington, and throughout the hemisphere urging  
9 ratification of trade agreements and hosting trade negotiation  
10 rounds between the United States and Panama in Tampa and the  
11 United States and Andean nations in Miami, and

12 WHEREAS, prior to his having assumed the presidency of the  
13 Florida Free Trade Area of the Americas, Mr. Arrizurieta was the  
14 nation's Alternate Executive Director of the Inter-American  
15 Development Bank and more recently was appointed by Governor  
16 Bush to the Board of Governors of the State University System  
17 and by Miami-Dade County to the Miami-Dade County Public Health  
18 Trust, a few examples from a list of credits dating back to 1988  
19 when he was a member of President George H. W. Bush's transition  
20 team, and

21 WHEREAS, Mr. Arrizurieta has been honored with an  
22 assortment of awards and recognitions, including the  
23 International Achievement Award given by the World Trade Center  
24 Miami and the International Business Achievement Award from the  
25 Greater Fort Lauderdale Chamber of Commerce and having been  
26 included in the April 2005 issue of "South Florida CEO" magazine  
27 as one of the area's most powerful leaders helping to shape the  
28 present and future of that community, and

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29           WHEREAS, perhaps the trophies most treasured by Jorge L.  
30 Arrizurieta and Mari, his wife, both esteemed natives of Miami,  
31 are their children, twins Alexia Sophia and Alec J. and younger  
32 son Sebastian Andres, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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37           That the House of Representatives expresses sincere  
38 gratitude to Jorge L. Arrizurieta for his accomplishments as  
39 President of the Florida Free Trade Area of the Americas, for  
40 his contributions to the economic growth of the state, and for  
41 helping to promote Florida throughout the Americas.

42           BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be  
43 presented to Jorge L. Arrizurieta as a tangible token of the  
44 sentiments expressed herein.