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## 1 House Resolution

2 A resolution designating April 12, 2007, as "Virtual  
3 Education Day" in Florida.

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5 WHEREAS, the Florida Virtual Education Program is a quality  
6 accredited educational choice for Florida's students and is a  
7 permanent part of the public education system in the State of  
8 Florida, and

9 WHEREAS, founded in 1997 as a grant-based project between  
10 two Florida school districts, the Florida Virtual Education  
11 Program was created as a pilot program that led to Florida's  
12 first Internet-based public high school, and

13 WHEREAS, in 2006, the Florida Legislature passed  
14 legislation that removed the remaining vestiges of pilot status  
15 and made the entire Florida Virtual Education Program a  
16 permanent part of Florida's K-20 education system, and

17 WHEREAS, the Florida Virtual Education Program has grown  
18 phenomenally, allowing students to learn at any time, in any  
19 place, down any path, and at any pace, and

20 WHEREAS, the Florida Virtual Education Program now includes  
21 K-8 programs and three virtual education schools, including the  
22 Florida Virtual School, the Florida Virtual Academy, and  
23 Connections Academy, all of which serve the educational needs of  
24 thousands of Florida's students, and

25 WHEREAS, parents and students have expanded access to  
26 courses through the Florida Virtual Education Program, and  
27 school districts have options to ease overcrowding and to

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28 | provide their students with additional courses and acceleration  
29 | opportunities, and

30 |         WHEREAS, the Florida Virtual Education Program has allowed  
31 | families across Florida to strengthen the family bond by  
32 | enjoying the learning process together, 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 April 12, 2007, is designated as "Virtual Education  
38 | Day" in Florida in the hopes that support will continue to be  
39 | extended to keep the Florida Virtual Education Program an  
40 | educational choice for parents and students in this great state.