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## 1 House Resolution

2 A resolution commending the University of Florida Football  
3 Team for winning the 2007 Bowl Championship Series  
4 National Championship Game.

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6 WHEREAS, the University of Florida Gators have long been  
7 recognized for their winning tradition in all sports, and

8 WHEREAS, the University of Florida Gators Football Team has  
9 continued this tradition of athletic excellence, achieved and  
10 maintained through their hard work, determination, unselfish  
11 play, and team-first attitude, and

12 WHEREAS, the second-ranked University of Florida Football  
13 Team earned a 41-14 victory over top-ranked Ohio State  
14 University in the Bowl Championship Series (BCS) National  
15 Championship Game on January 8, 2007, after defeating the  
16 University of Arkansas 38-28 in the Southeastern Conference  
17 Championship Game on December 2, 2006, and

18 WHEREAS, the University of Florida's 2006 schedule was  
19 ranked as the toughest in the nation by the NCAA this season,  
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21 WHEREAS, under head coach Urban Meyer and his coaching  
22 staff, the Florida Gators finished the 2006 season with a 13-1  
23 record to establish a single-season record for wins, and

24 WHEREAS, coach Urban Meyer became just the seventh head  
25 coach in NCAA history to guide a team to a national championship  
26 in his first or second year at a school, and

27 WHEREAS, with the BCS National Championship win, the  
28 University of Florida earned its second national football

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29 | championship and became the first school in NCAA Division I  
30 | history to hold national football and men's basketball titles  
31 | simultaneously, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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36 |         That the Florida House of Representatives congratulates the  
37 | University of Florida Football Team for winning the 2007 Bowl  
38 | Championship Series National Championship Game, its second  
39 | national football title, and for becoming the first school in  
40 | NCAA Division I history to hold national football and basketball  
41 | titles simultaneously.

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43 |         BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be  
44 | presented to the President of the University of Florida, Dr.  
45 | Bernie Machen, to Coach Urban Meyer, and to each assistant coach  
46 | and member of the Florida Gators Football Team as a tangible  
   | token of the sentiments expressed herein.