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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution honoring the life of State Representative
3 Mike Davis.

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5 WHEREAS, Mike Davis was born on February 10, 1947, in
6 Columbus, Ohio, and

7 WHEREAS, Mike Davis attended Ohio State University and in
8 1974 moved to Naples, Florida, where he became a successful
9 businessman and community leader, and

10 WHEREAS, Mike Davis served in various capacities in
11 numerous civic and governmental organizations such as the
12 Collier County Planning Commission, Collier County Health
13 Facilities Funding Authority, Naples Area Chamber of Commerce,
14 Naples Bay Rotary Club and Rotary International (for 20 years),
15 Hospice of Naples, Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts of America, and
16 Quest for Kids, and

17 WHEREAS, after his retirement as a businessman, Mike Davis
18 was elected to the Florida House of Representatives in November
19 2002 to represent District 101, encompassing eastern Collier
20 County and part of western Broward County, and was subsequently
21 reelected in 2004 and 2006, and

22 WHEREAS, during his tenure in the Florida House of
23 Representatives, Mike Davis served as Majority Whip and served
24 on various councils, committees, and subcommittees dealing with
25 issues relating to natural resources of the state, local
26 government operations, veterans' affairs, state government
27 structure and operations, the future of Florida's families,

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28 | growth management, affordable housing, transportation, and
29 | economic development and expansion, and

30 | WHEREAS, Mike Davis was known by all as both a champion and
31 | a defender of affordable housing programs and funding as well as
32 | a strong advocate for improving transportation and expanding
33 | economic development, and

34 | WHEREAS, Mike Davis has been an outstanding example of a
35 | public servant, citizen, and friend, a loving and dedicated
36 | husband to Patricia, his wife of 35 years, a nurturing father to
37 | his son, Christian, and his daughter, Natasha, and a loving and
38 | nurturing grandfather to his granddaughter, Mia, and

39 | WHEREAS, Mike Davis was a committed follower of Jesus
40 | Christ and an active member of St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic
41 | Church in Naples, and

42 | WHEREAS, Mike Davis went peacefully to his LORD on
43 | September 12, 2007, after a courageous battle with cancer,
44 | cutting too short a life that so positively touched those he
45 | loved and those he served, and

46 | WHEREAS, Mike Davis was a true gentleman and statesman
47 | whose word was his bond and who consistently placed the greater
48 | good ahead of any partisan or political goals, and

49 | WHEREAS, Mike Davis will be sorely missed by his family,
50 | his friends, and his constituents, and his passing is deeply
51 | mourned by the members and employees of the House of
52 | Representatives, along with all those who knew and loved him,
53 | NOW, THEREFORE,

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55 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
56 | Florida:

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58 | That the House of Representatives of the State of Florida
59 | hereby honors Representative Mike Davis and pays tribute to his
60 | legacy as an exemplary person, family man, citizen, and public
61 | servant, and celebrates his life and accomplishments in Session
62 | by a Memorial Service in his honor on this 4th day of October
63 | 2007; that this House encourages all Floridians, especially
64 | young Floridians seeking an example in life, to consider Mike
65 | Davis's extraordinary life of compassion for those in need, of
66 | dedication to serving his community and his state, of his love
67 | of family and friends, and of life lived to the fullest; and
68 | that this House commits his soul to his LORD and his family to
69 | the care of God, the Creator of Heaven and Earth, "Who is able
70 | to keep us from falling and to present us before His glorious
71 | Presence without fault and with great joy."

72 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
73 | presented to the family of Mike Davis as a tangible token of the
74 | sentiments expressed herein.