By Senator Webster

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing April 16, 2008, as "Truckers Day in Florida."

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WHEREAS, Florida's economy depends on having a highly efficient and reliable transportation system, and

WHEREAS, the trucking industry is the backbone of the state's economy and, as a leading mode of moving freight, the trucking industry plays a vital role in advancing Florida's prosperity, and

WHEREAS, Florida's trucking industry safely performs vital delivery and pickup of 70 percent of all freight moved in the state, driving over 16 billion miles yearly to do so, serving communities, schools, and businesses with dedication and without fanfare every day, and

WHEREAS, Florida's trucking industry provides more than 450,000 jobs and contributes over \$17 billion in wages each year to Florida's work force, and

WHEREAS, the trucking industry's dedication to maintaining high standards to keep Florida moving contributes to the strength of our transportation system and reflects the spirit of Florida and America, and

WHEREAS, we are all indebted to the hard-working drivers who embody a commitment to excellence, haul the loads, and make those just-in-time deliveries, NOW, THEREFORE,

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Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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That the Florida Senate acknowledges that without trucks Florida stops, recognizes April 16, 2008, as "Truckers Day in Florida," and applauds Florida's trucking industry for its commitment to keeping Florida's economy rolling.