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House Resolution

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2 A resolution expressing gratitude and support for the men
3 and women of the United States military serving in the
4 Global War on Terror and designating June 16, 2008, as
5 "Vets for Victory Day" in the State of Florida.
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7 WHEREAS, almost 3 million American men and women serving in
8 the United States military as active-duty members of the United
9 States Armed Forces, members of the National Guard, and military
10 reservists are on duty around the world, charged with the
11 responsibility of protecting the United States, its citizens,
12 and our interests and allies, and

13 WHEREAS, many of these servicemembers are currently engaged
14 in combat in Iraq and Afghanistan, fighting the "Global War on
15 Terror," and

16 WHEREAS, over 125,000 men and women from Florida have
17 served in the military in Iraq and Afghanistan as part of the
18 Global War on Terror, and

19 WHEREAS, over 29,000 American troops have been wounded in
20 combat in Iraq, and 1,868 American troops have been wounded in
21 Afghanistan, since March 19, 2003, while more than 4,400 others
22 have made the ultimate sacrifice by giving their lives in
23 service to their country, and

24 WHEREAS, all members of the United States military who are
25 engaged in fighting the Global War on Terror do so with
26 considerable personal sacrifice, which often includes long
27 separations from their families, and

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28 WHEREAS, the Armed Forces of the United States continue to
29 protect all Americans, the interests of our nation, and our
30 allies from those who are our avowed enemies and, in doing so,
31 need and deserve our complete respect and support, NOW,
32 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 of the State of Florida
38 declares its complete and unwavering support for the American
39 men and women serving in the United States military as active-
40 duty members of the United States Armed Forces, members of the
41 National Guard, and military reservists, both around the world
42 and here at home, and for their mission in conducting the Global
43 War on Terror.

44 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, on behalf of the people of the
45 State of Florida, the House of Representatives of the State of
46 Florida hereby affirms that we will not abandon our servicemen
47 and servicewomen in this time of war and pledges its full
48 support to them and to their efforts to secure victory.

49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, on behalf of the people of the
50 State of Florida, the House of Representatives of the State of
51 Florida expresses its deepest gratitude and heartfelt pride for
52 the sacrifices and bravery of our servicemen and servicewomen
53 both at home and abroad and expresses its utmost gratitude for
54 their heroic service to the United States of America.

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55 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that, in recognition of their
56 service to the nation, the House of Representatives of the State
57 of Florida designates June 16, 2008, as "Vets for Victory Day"
58 in the State of Florida.

59 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
60 transmitted to the President of the United States, to the
61 President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the
62 United States House of Representatives, to the United States
63 Secretary of Defense, to the United States Secretary of Veterans
64 Affairs, to each member of the Florida delegation to the United
65 States Congress, to the Governor of the State of Florida, and to
66 the Executive Director of the Florida Department of Veterans'
67 Affairs, as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.