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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution recognizing April 8-13, 2008, as "General
3 Aviation Week" in Florida.

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5 WHEREAS, the aviation industry is a cornerstone of
6 Florida's economy, with 21 commercial service airports and 107
7 general aviation airports that are open to the public and more
8 than 600 private airports, and

9 WHEREAS, Florida's airports provide nearly \$96 billion
10 annually in economic activity, and its aviation industry
11 supports over 1 million jobs that generate more than \$26 billion
12 in annual payroll, and

13 WHEREAS, Florida has the largest flight training industry
14 in the United States, and

15 WHEREAS, more than 85 percent of all aircraft operations in
16 Florida are flown with general aviation aircraft, and

17 WHEREAS, each year, Florida's general aviation aircraft
18 bring 9 million visitors to the state, and its general aviation
19 airports house 14,000 aircraft, comprising 6 percent of the
20 nation's general aviation fleet and accommodating more than 7
21 million takeoffs and landings yearly, ranking Florida second in
22 the nation in this area, and

23 WHEREAS, without general aviation airports, Florida's busy
24 commercial service airports would be overwhelmed with air
25 traffic, making air travel to and around the state nearly
26 impossible, and

27 WHEREAS, Florida is the host of the nation's second-largest
28 general aviation convention, the Sun 'n Fun Fly-In Convention in

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29 | Lakeland for one week each year, which attracts thousands of
30 | aircraft and hundreds of thousands of aviation enthusiasts to
31 | the state, 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 members of the Florida House of Representatives
37 | enthusiastically acknowledge and recognize April 8-13, 2008, as
38 | "General Aviation Week" in Florida.