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House Resolution

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2 A resolution honoring University of Florida Quarterback
3 Timothy "Tim" Tebow on winning the Heisman Trophy and
4 recognizing his athletic, academic, and other
5 achievements.

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7 WHEREAS, Tim Tebow was born on August 14, 1987, to Bob and
8 Pam Tebow, who instilled in him the importance of giving to and
9 serving others, and

10 WHEREAS, he has been an inspiration both on and off the
11 football field, exhibiting character and compassion in his
12 missionary work in the Philippines, where he regularly visits
13 orphanages, and in his similar visits to hospitals in the United
14 States, and

15 WHEREAS, Tim has maintained a 3.77 grade point average at
16 the University of Florida while becoming only the fourth
17 sophomore in the history of the university to earn first-team
18 Academic All-American honors, and

19 WHEREAS, he played an integral role in the University of
20 Florida's National Collegiate Athletic Association's national
21 championship football team in 2006, and

22 WHEREAS, in the 2007 season, Tim Tebow threw 32 touchdown
23 passes and ran for 23 touchdowns, earning a record as the first
24 player in major college football history to run for at least 20
25 touchdowns and pass for at least 20 touchdowns in the same
26 season, and

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27 WHEREAS, his total of 55 touchdowns, with 23 rushing
28 touchdowns, were both Southeastern Conference records, the
29 latter also a national collegiate record for quarterbacks, and

30 WHEREAS, Tim completed more than 66 percent of his passing
31 attempts for a total of 3,286 yards this season, guiding Florida
32 to a 9 and 4 record as the team led the Southeastern Conference
33 in scoring and total yardage, and

34 WHEREAS, on December 8, 2007, Tim Tebow became the first
35 and only sophomore ever to win the Heisman Trophy, college
36 football's most coveted and prestigious award, NOW, THEREFORE,

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38 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
39 Florida:

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41 That the Florida House of Representatives commends Tim
42 Tebow for his academic and athletic accomplishments, recognizes
43 him for his character and compassion toward his fellow human
44 beings, and congratulates him on his historic recognition in
45 being awarded the 2007 Heisman Trophy.

46 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
47 presented to Tim Tebow as a tangible token of the sentiments
48 expressed herein.

49 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that additional copies of this
50 resolution be transmitted to University of Florida President J.
51 Bernard Machen and Head Football Coach Urban Meyer for
52 appropriate display.