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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution recognizing A.J. Graham, winner of the 2008
3 Florida Mr. Football Award.

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5 WHEREAS, Quarterback A.J. Graham led the Amos P. Godby High
6 School Cougars to the Class 3A Florida High School Athletic
7 Association State Championship game, and

8 WHEREAS, during his spectacular 2008 season, A.J. Graham
9 completed 244 of 396 passes for 3,870 yards and 38 touchdowns,
10 rushed for 564 yards on 99 carries and scored 10 touchdowns, and
11 in the process set school records for attempts, completions,
12 passing yards, and touchdowns, and

13 WHEREAS, A.J. Graham was named to the 2008 All Big Bend
14 Team and the 2008 All State Team, was named the "Offensive
15 Player of the Year" by the Tallahassee Democrat and the "Most
16 Outstanding Player" by the Tallahassee Quarterback Club, and
17 played in the Florida Athletic Coaches Association North-South
18 Game, and

19 WHEREAS, on January 30, 2009, A.J. Graham became the first
20 football player in the history of the City of Tallahassee to be
21 presented the Florida Mr. Football Award, and

22 WHEREAS, awarded by Dairy Farmers, Inc., and the Florida
23 Athletic Coaches Association, and presented by the Florida Dairy
24 Farmers Association, the Florida Mr. Football Award is an honor
25 given to the top high school football player in the state of
26 Florida, and

27 WHEREAS, A.J. Graham shares this honor with past winners of
28 the award that include NFL All-Pro Daunte Culpepper, 2003 NFL

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29 | Offensive Rookie of the Year Anquan Boldin, and 2007 Heisman
30 | Trophy winner Tim Tebow, and

31 | WHEREAS, on February 4, 2009, A.J. Graham signed his
32 | National Letter of Intent to play football for the Marshall
33 | University Thundering Herd, NOW, THEREFORE,

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35 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
36 | Florida:

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38 | That the Florida House of Representatives congratulates
39 | A.J. Graham on his historic recognition in being named the 2008
40 | Florida Mr. Football Award and commends him for his hard work
41 | and athletic excellence on the football field.

42 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
43 | presented to A.J. Graham as a tangible token of the sentiments
44 | expressed herein.