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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing the outstanding public service and lifetime achievements of Mallory E. Horne.

WHEREAS, Mallory E. Horne was born in Tavares, Florida, on April 17, 1925, and

WHEREAS, Mallory E. Horne graduated from Leon High School in Tallahassee and immediately enlisted in the United States Army Air Corps to fight in World War II, and

WHEREAS, after the war, Mallory E. Horne continued to serve in the United States Air Force and Air Force Reserve and was honorably discharged at the rank of captain, and

WHEREAS, Mallory E. Horne attended the University of Florida, where he served as chancellor of the Honor Corps and, in 1949, was elected president of the senior class, and

WHEREAS, Mallory E. Horne began the practice of law, opening his own firm in Tallahassee, and was elected statewide president of the Junior Bar of Florida, and

WHEREAS, while still in his twenties, Mallory E. Horne was elected to the Florida House of Representatives, where his leadership abilities were immediately recognized and he enjoyed a rapid rise to prominence, culminating with his election as Speaker of the House of Representatives, and

WHEREAS, upon leaving the House of Representatives, Mallory E. Horne was elected to the Florida Senate, where, in 1973-1974, he served as Senate President, becoming the only person since Reconstruction to serve in both offices, and

WHEREAS, as a legislator, Mallory E. Horne was known for

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29 | his spellbinding orations and his willingness to take principled
30 | and sometimes unpopular stands, and

31 | WHEREAS, while Mallory E. Horne's entire legislative body
32 | of work is worthy of recognition, three of his greatest
33 | accomplishments were the implementation of fair legislative
34 | apportionment, the complete executive reorganization of all
35 | three branches of government, and his tireless efforts to retain
36 | Tallahassee as the state capital, and

37 | WHEREAS, Mallory E. Horne served as a member on the first
38 | Constitution Advisory Commission, as Special Counsel to the
39 | Department of Agriculture and the Florida Senate, and as
40 | chairman of the Public Employees Relations Commission, and

41 | WHEREAS, throughout his career as a high-profile lawyer,
42 | Mallory E. Horne gave generously of his time and energy in
43 | providing pro bono legal assistance to low-income individuals
44 | and supporting the work of volunteer legal service
45 | organizations, and

46 | WHEREAS, Mallory E. Horne passed away on April 30, 2009,
47 | leaving a distinguished legacy of public service, NOW,
48 | THEREFORE,

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50 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
51 | Florida:

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53 | That the House of Representatives recognizes and celebrates
54 | the unparalleled legislative service of Mallory E. Horne in the
55 | Florida House of Representatives and the Florida Senate and
56 | honors his commitment to public service.

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57 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
58 presented to Mrs. Mary Lou Horne as a tangible token of the
59 sentiments expressed herein.