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House Resolution

A resolution observing May 25, 2010, as "National Missing Children's Day" in Florida.

WHEREAS, according to the United States Department of Justice, approximately 800,000, children are reported missing each year, and

WHEREAS, it is estimated that 2,200 children are reported missing to law enforcement agencies each day, and

 WHEREAS, in a given year, 58,200 of the children reported missing are the victims of non-family abductions while more than 200,000 children are the victims of family abductions, and

WHEREAS, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children is a resource to help prevent child abduction and sexual exploitation, locate missing children, and assist victims of abductions and sexual exploitation, their families, and the professionals who work with them, and

WHEREAS, the National Center for Missing & Exploited Children has witnessed its recovery rate for children missing domestically increase from 62 percent in 1990 to 96 percent today, and

WHEREAS, it is important to set aside a special day to remember those children who are missing and give hope to their families that their children will one day be found, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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That, May 25, 2010, is recognized as "National Missing Children's Day" and all citizens and organizations are encouraged to participate in learning about methods to prevent child abduction and sexual exploitation and to help the children of this state guard against being victims of abduction and exploitation.