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## House Resolution

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2 A resolution recognizing March 29, 2011, as "Florida Keys  
3 Day" in Tallahassee.

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5 WHEREAS, the Florida Keys are a unique chain of coral reef  
6 islands that stretch 110 miles from Key Largo to Key West, and

7 WHEREAS, the portion of US 1 that traverses the Keys is  
8 Florida's only All-American Road and is comprised of 42 bridges  
9 which connect the vast span of over 800 islands and includes the  
10 Seven Mile Bridge, and

11 WHEREAS, the Florida Keys are considered to be both the  
12 diving and saltwater sport fishing capitals of the world,  
13 offering reefs, artificial and historical wrecks, and a  
14 diversity of fish species rarely found in any other location,  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, the Florida Keys were home to Henry Flagler's  
17 Overseas Railroad, referred to as the Eighth Wonder of the World  
18 in its day, which was completed in 1912 and operated for 23  
19 years carrying passengers to Key West until its destruction in  
20 1935, and

21 WHEREAS, Key West is the southernmost city in the United  
22 States and is geographically closer to Havana, Cuba, than any  
23 other city in the country, and

24 WHEREAS, the Florida Keys, as America's own tropical  
25 paradise, have attracted some of the most talented artists,  
26 writers, fishermen, and presidents to call the islands their  
27 home, NOW, THEREFORE,

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29 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of  
30 | Florida:

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32 |       That the House of Representatives recognizes March 29,  
33 | 2011, as "Florida Keys Day" in Tallahassee and applauds the  
34 | residents, visitors, and elected officials who have made the  
35 | Florida Keys flourish and who make the State of Florida a better  
36 | place to live.