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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution honoring the Florida National Guard and
3 designating March 29, 2011, as "Florida National Guard
4 Day" in the State of Florida.

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6 WHEREAS, as the military arm of the Governor and the people
7 of the State of Florida, in times of crisis or emergency the
8 Florida National Guard stands ready to immediately respond to a
9 call from the Governor, and

10 WHEREAS, tracing its roots to the first militia units of
11 the United States formed in 1565 to protect St. Augustine, the
12 Florida National Guard boasts approximately 12,000 highly
13 trained and skilled men and women who serve as soldiers and
14 airmen in today's modern guard, and

15 WHEREAS, the men and women of the Florida National Guard
16 and their families willingly make sacrifices during times of
17 hurricanes, fires, floods, and other natural disasters, and more
18 than 10,000 members have responded to the call of active duty,
19 serving domestically and around the world in the Global War on
20 Terrorism, and

21 WHEREAS, in the largest deployment of the National Guard
22 since World War II, the men and women of the Florida National
23 Guard responded without reservation, serving with distinction
24 and honor for Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Enduring Freedom,
25 Operation Iraqi Freedom, and Operation New Dawn, truly an
26 affirmation of the propriety of the recognition they so richly
27 merit for their faithful and successful service and for the
28 well-placed trust of the residents of this state, and

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29 WHEREAS, the men and women of the Florida National Guard
30 are currently involved in hundreds of community service projects
31 across the state each day and also train or serve in numerous
32 operations in the war on terrorism, upholding the Florida
33 National Guard's mission to provide military units and personnel
34 ready to support United States national security objectives;
35 protect life and property; preserve peace, order, and public
36 safety; and contribute to such national, state, and local
37 programs that add value to the United States of America and the
38 State of Florida, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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43 That in honor of the significant contributions and
44 consistent readiness of the Florida National Guard and to
45 gratefully acknowledge the faithful service of its dedicated
46 soldiers and airmen, March 29, 2011, is designated as "Florida
47 National Guard Day" in the State of Florida.

48 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
49 presented to Major General Emmett R. Titshaw, Jr., Adjutant
50 General of Florida, as a tangible token of the sentiments
51 expressed herein.