

1 House Memorial

2 A memorial to the Congress of the United States
3 recognizing the death of Osama bin Laden as a positive
4 step forward in the war on terrorism and declaring a
5 continuing unity of commitment against terrorism, its
6 crimes against humanity, and al-Qaeda.

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8 WHEREAS, the actions taken by Osama bin Laden and al-Qaeda
9 and its networks targeting innocent civilians, including women
10 and children, are repugnant, and

11 WHEREAS, Osama bin Laden was the mastermind of the
12 September 11, 2001, attacks on the United States of America,
13 which murdered 2,977 citizens, and

14 WHEREAS, Osama bin Laden and al-Qaeda were responsible for
15 other terrorist attacks against the United States of America,
16 including bombing American embassies in Tanzania and Kenya and
17 attacking the U.S.S. Cole, and

18 WHEREAS, a collective effort between President George W.
19 Bush and President Barack Obama, along with the hard work of
20 intelligence organizations and the men and women of the Armed
21 Forces, resulted in locating Osama bin Laden, and

22 WHEREAS, President Barack Obama took immediate action upon
23 learning of the location of Osama bin Laden, and

24 WHEREAS, while resisting capture, Osama bin Laden was
25 killed on May 1, 2011, by operatives of the Central Intelligence
26 Agency and Navy Seals, and

27 WHEREAS, Osama bin Laden's death provides some degree of
28 closure as it relates to September 11, 2001, NOW, THEREFORE,

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30 Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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32 That we recognize the death of Osama bin Laden as a
33 positive step forward in the war on terrorism and declare a
34 continuing unity of commitment with other states and nations
35 against terrorism, its crimes against humanity, and al-Qaeda.

36 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
37 dispatched to the President of the United States, to the
38 President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the
39 United States House of Representatives, and to each member of
40 the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.