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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution encouraging the observance of National
3 Spirit of '45 Day in the state on August 11, 2013.

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5 WHEREAS, on August 14, 1945, the people of the United
6 States received word of the end of World War II and greeted the
7 news of the Allies' noble victory with joyous celebration,
8 humility, and spiritual reflection, and

9 WHEREAS, the victory marked the culmination of an
10 unprecedented national effort that defeated the forces of
11 aggression, brought freedom to subjugated nations, and ended the
12 horrors of the Holocaust, and

13 WHEREAS, these historic accomplishments were achieved
14 through the collective service and personal sacrifice of the
15 people of the United States, both those who served in uniform
16 and those who supported them on the home front, and the more
17 than 400,000 Americans who gave their lives in service to their
18 country during World War II, and

19 WHEREAS, August 14, 1945, marked not only the end of the
20 war but also the beginning of an unparalleled era of rebuilding
21 led by the United States to restore the societies of both its
22 allies and former foes alike and the formation of an array of
23 organizations and institutions that helped to strengthen
24 American democracy by promoting civic engagement, volunteerism,
25 and service to community and country, and

26 WHEREAS, the courage, dedication, self-sacrifice, and
27 compassion of the "ordinary heroes" of the World War II
28 generation continue to inspire our nation, especially the men

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29 and women of the United States Armed Forces who are currently
 30 serving around the world protecting our country, and

31 WHEREAS, the entire World War II generation, military and
 32 civilian alike, has provided a model of national unity and
 33 community that will continue to serve as a source of inspiration
 34 for current and future generations of Americans to come together
 35 to work for the continued prosperity of the Unites States and
 36 the world, and

37 WHEREAS, National Spirit of '45 Day is observed each year
 38 on the second Sunday in August to commemorate the anniversary of
 39 the end of World War II on August 14, 1945, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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 44 That the Florida House of Representatives encourages the
 45 observance of National Spirit of '45 Day in Florida on August
 46 11, 2013.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
 48 presented to the Florida Spirit of '45 Committee as a tangible
 49 token of the sentiments expressed herein.