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## 1 House Resolution

2 A resolution honoring the Florida National Guard and  
3 designating March 11, 2014, 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 16,500 members have responded to the call of federal active  
19 duty, serving domestically and around the world in contingency  
20 operations, 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 in Operation Noble Eagle, Operation Enduring Freedom,  
25 Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation New Dawn, and other

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26 contingencies, affirming the propriety of the recognition they  
27 so richly merit for their faithful and successful service and  
28 for the well-placed trust of the residents of this state, and

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 while preparing for federal duty,  
32 upholding the Florida National Guard's mission to provide  
33 military units and personnel ready to support the national  
34 security objectives of the United States; protect life and  
35 property; preserve peace, order, and public safety; and  
36 contribute to such national, state, and local programs that add  
37 value to the United States of America and the State of Florida,  
38 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 11, 2014, 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

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51 | expressed herein.