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## 1 House Memorial

2 A memorial to the Congress of the United States,  
3 urging Congress to remove marijuana from the Schedule  
4 I drug list and allow it to be researched and used for  
5 medical purposes.

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7 WHEREAS, marijuana is currently listed under the Controlled  
8 Substances Act as a Schedule I drug and, under the act, such  
9 drugs are considered to have a high potential for abuse and have  
10 no currently accepted medical use, and

11 WHEREAS, the District of Columbia and twenty-three states  
12 recognize the medical value of marijuana in treating multiple  
13 diseases and medical conditions, and

14 WHEREAS, due to the Federal Government's resistance in  
15 allowing marijuana to be used for medical purposes, clinical  
16 studies cannot be conducted, or are severely stunted, in  
17 attempting to discover the full potential of this plant and its  
18 healing abilities, and

19 WHEREAS, the few studies that have been done were conducted  
20 despite the researcher's fears of being shut down or even  
21 prosecuted, and

22 WHEREAS, the studies and results on patients have proven  
23 that marijuana has healing properties for many debilitating and  
24 painful diseases, cancer, and other ailments that currently  
25 plague our citizens, and

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26 WHEREAS, if federal laws were supportive of this plant as a  
 27 medicine, further studies could be conducted to learn of all the  
 28 possibilities that this plant holds, and

29 WHEREAS, with the support of the Federal Government, highly  
 30 organized and supervised production facilities, as well as a  
 31 means of distribution, could be established, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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 35 That the Legislature of the State of Florida, with all due  
 36 respect, does hereby urge the United States Congress to remove  
 37 marijuana from the Schedule I drug list and allow marijuana to  
 38 be researched and used for medical purposes.

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