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1 Senate Resolution

2 A resolution expressing support for the timely and
3 successful negotiation of a mutually beneficial
4 agreement on transatlantic trade between the United
5 States and the European Union, leading to the
6 enactment of the Transatlantic Trade and Investment
7 Partnership.

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9 WHEREAS, the transatlantic economy is the largest in the
10 world, encompassing nearly 50 percent of global gross domestic
11 product (GDP), and the United States and the European Union have
12 called for an agreement to remove constraints to economic growth
13 between these two entities, resulting in discussion of the
14 Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership (T-TIP), and

15 WHEREAS, growth of emerging marketplaces across the globe
16 continues to lessen the share of global GDP attributable to the
17 transatlantic economy, and

18 WHEREAS, the expansion of global trade, especially with the
19 member nations of the European Union, is of vital importance to
20 the growth of the economy of the United States, small business
21 participation in the international marketplace, and job
22 creation, and

23 WHEREAS, this state would benefit greatly from the
24 ratification of a comprehensive transatlantic trade agreement,
25 which would create employment opportunities for Floridians as a
26 direct result of loosening current burdens on trade and free
27 markets, and

28 WHEREAS, the successful implementation of T-TIP will
29 increase exports to the European Union from this state, and

30 WHEREAS, the United States Constitution grants sole
31 authority in regulating commerce with foreign nations to the
32 United States Congress, and

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33 WHEREAS, the successful negotiation of a mutually
34 beneficial transatlantic trade agreement will require bipartisan
35 cooperation in the United States Congress and between state,
36 federal, and foreign governments, NOW, THEREFORE,

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38 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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40 That timely and successful negotiation by the Executive
41 Branch of a comprehensive and mutually beneficial transatlantic
42 trade agreement between the United States and the European
43 Union, leading to enactment of the Transatlantic Trade and
44 Investment Partnership, is supported.