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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing April 6, 2021, as "National STUDENT-Athlete Day" in Florida.

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WHEREAS, National STUDENT-Athlete Day was created by the National Consortium for Academics and Sports, now the Institute for Sport & Social Justice, in 1987 and is celebrated annually on April 6, and

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WHEREAS, National STUDENT-Athlete Day honors studentathletes who have achieved excellence in both academics and athletics, while making significant contributions to their schools and communities, and

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WHEREAS, collegiate athletes celebrate National STUDENT-Athlete Day in a variety of ways such as hosting youth clinics, honoring their peers for academic accomplishments, speaking at local elementary and high schools, and engaging in other local outreach initiatives, and

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WHEREAS, the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) became involved in National STUDENT-Athletic Day in 1994 to recognize its member athletes through outreach initiatives that spotlight the academic and athletic accomplishments of NCAA collegiate athletes and the way those athletes give back to their communities, and

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WHEREAS, since its inception, over 4.4 million studentathletes have been honored on National STUDENT-Athlete Day, all

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of whom have earned at least a 3.0 grade point average and are involved in local outreach and community service, and

WHEREAS, an estimated 300,000 student-athletes in Florida compete in a variety of sports across eight different classifications in high school and multiple divisions in college, and

WHEREAS, National STUDENT-Athlete Day increases awareness of issues facing student-athletes, promotes the positive virtues of sport, and honors high school and collegiate athletes throughout the state and nation for their academic, athletic, and community achievements, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That April 6, 2021, is recognized as "National STUDENT-Athlete Day" in Florida.

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