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1 House Memorial

2 A memorial to the Congress of the United States,
3 urging the United States Senate to convict the 45th
4 President of the United States, Donald John Trump, and
5 to disqualify him from holding and enjoying any office
6 of honor, trust, or profit under the United States.

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8 WHEREAS, the Office of the President of the United States
9 is charged with supporting and defending the Constitution of the
10 United States against enemies, foreign and domestic, and

11 WHEREAS, the power of the federal executive branch is
12 vested in the President of the United States, and

13 WHEREAS, the President serves as the head of state and the
14 Commander in Chief of our armed forces, and

15 WHEREAS, the President holds the duty to faithfully execute
16 the Office of the President of the United States and, to the
17 best of his or her ability, to preserve, protect, and defend the
18 Constitution of the United States, and

19 WHEREAS, the United States Constitution provides that the
20 House of Representatives "shall have the sole Power of
21 Impeachment" and that the President "shall be removed from
22 Office on Impeachment for, and Conviction of, Treason, Bribery,
23 or other high Crimes and Misdemeanors," and

24 WHEREAS, President Donald John Trump incited a violent
25 insurrection in our nation's capital when he addressed a crowd

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26 | in Washington, D.C. shortly before the Joint Session of Congress
27 | commenced to count the votes of the Electoral College, and

28 | WHEREAS, President Trump incited a riot and encouraged
29 | domestic terrorism with statements such as "when you catch
30 | somebody in a fraud, you are allowed to go by very different
31 | rules" and "if you don't fight like hell, you're not going to
32 | have a country anymore," and

33 | WHEREAS, the siege of the United States Capitol Building
34 | and the subsequent threat to members of Congress, security
35 | forces, and the public resulted in the death of five Americans,
36 | including that of Capitol Police Officer Brian Sicknick, and

37 | WHEREAS, President Trump's actions on January 6, 2021,
38 | followed prior efforts to subvert and obstruct the certification
39 | of the results of the 2020 Presidential election, and

40 | WHEREAS, on January 2, 2021, the President urged the
41 | Georgia Secretary of State, Brad Raffensperger, to "find" enough
42 | votes to overturn Georgia's presidential election results and
43 | threatened Secretary Raffensperger if he failed to do so, and

44 | WHEREAS, President Trump gravely endangered the security of
45 | the United States and its institutions of Government while
46 | threatening the sanctity of the democratic system, and

47 | WHEREAS, President Trump interfered with the peaceful
48 | transition of power and jeopardized a coequal branch of
49 | Government, and thereby betrayed his trust as President to the
50 | manifest injury of the people of the United States, and

51 WHEREAS, President Trump removed plausible deniability by
 52 making statements to violent insurrectionists, such as "we love
 53 you, you're very special," after the siege of the Capitol, and

54 WHEREAS, President Trump was impeached by the United States
 55 House of Representatives on January 13, 2021, with a vote of
 56 232-197, making it the most bipartisan House impeachment in the
 57 history of the United States, and

58 WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature hereby condemns the
 59 violent siege of the United States Capitol Building instigated
 60 by President Donald John Trump, and

61 WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature acknowledges that the
 62 United States House of Representatives has voted in favor of
 63 impeachment, and

64 WHEREAS, the United States Senate has the constitutional
 65 power and responsibility under s. 3, Art. I of the United States
 66 Constitution to hold an impeachment trial, and

67 WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature acknowledges that the
 68 impeachment trial in the United States Senate may conclude
 69 before the adoption of this memorial, and

70 WHEREAS, the Florida Legislature has a unique
 71 responsibility to the state President Donald John Trump calls
 72 home to condemn his actions and urge for his conviction in the
 73 United States Senate or be judged forever by history, NOW,
 74 THEREFORE,

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76 | Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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78 | That the Florida Legislature respectfully urges the United
79 | States Senate to convict the 45th President of the United States
80 | and to disqualify him from holding and enjoying any office of
81 | honor, trust, or profit under the United States.

82 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
83 | provided to the Governor, the Attorney General, the Chief
84 | Financial Officer, and the Commissioner of Agriculture.

85 | BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
86 | dispatched to the President of the United States, to the
87 | President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the
88 | United States House of Representatives, and to each member of
89 | the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.