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1 House Resolution

2 A resolution commending the Florida Panthers for their
3 victory in the National Hockey League's 2025 Stanley
4 Cup Finals and for their contributions to this state's
5 sports legacy.

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7 WHEREAS, on June 17, 2025, the Florida Panthers secured the
8 title of Stanley Cup Champions, defeating the Western Conference
9 champions, the Edmonton Oilers, thereby claiming their second
10 consecutive Stanley Cup title, and

11 WHEREAS, this victory solidifies the Florida Panthers'
12 place in National Hockey League history and establishes this
13 state as a premier center for professional hockey, and

14 WHEREAS, during the 2024-2025 NHL playoffs, the Florida
15 Panthers once again triumphed over their in-state rivals, the
16 Tampa Bay Lightning, and

17 WHEREAS, the Florida Panthers continued their playoff run
18 by overcoming the Toronto Maple Leafs, followed by a victory
19 over the Carolina Hurricanes in the Eastern Conference Finals,
20 advancing to the Stanley Cup Finals for a third consecutive
21 season, and

22 WHEREAS, Sam Bennett was awarded the Conn Smythe Trophy as
23 the most valuable player of the 2025 Stanley Cup Playoffs,
24 becoming the first player in the Florida Panthers' franchise
25 history to receive this prestigious honor, in recognition of his

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26 | leadership, intensity, and game-changing performances throughout
27 | the postseason, and

28 | WHEREAS, throughout the regular season and playoffs, the
29 | Florida Panthers demonstrated resilience, discipline, and
30 | teamwork, and

31 | WHEREAS, beyond their achievements on the ice, the Florida
32 | Panthers have a demonstrated commitment to community service,
33 | including their impactful work in promoting youth hockey,
34 | supporting children and families, honoring veterans, and
35 | advocating for the conservation of the endangered Florida
36 | panther, NOW, THEREFORE,

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38 | Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
39 | Florida:

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41 | That the Florida Panthers are hereby commended for their
42 | victory in the 2025 Stanley Cup Finals and for their
43 | contributions to this state's sports legacy.