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A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing President Franklin Delano Roosevelt for his
2 strength, courage and determination through a time of
3 national crisis and war in celebration of the occasion of his
4 birth.

5 WHEREAS, Franklin Delano Roosevelt was born January 30, 1882,
6 in Hyde Park, New York; and

7 WHEREAS, In 1932, Franklin Delano Roosevelt was elected the
8 32nd President of the United States, to the first of four terms,
9 thereby becoming the longest-serving President of the United
10 States; and

11 WHEREAS, President Roosevelt came to the Presidency while the
12 United States was crippled by the Great Depression, relying on a

1 campaign where he mobilized the expanded ranks of the poor as
2 well as organized labor, ethnic minorities and urbanites; and

3 WHEREAS, In March 1933, President Roosevelt was inaugurated
4 when nearly 13 million individuals in the United States were
5 unemployed; and

6 WHEREAS, President Roosevelt assisted the nation in achieving
7 recovery by implementing "The New Deal," which included the
8 Civilian Conservation Corps and the Works Progress
9 Administration, each of which hired hundreds of thousands of
10 unemployed Americans; and

11 WHEREAS, On August 14, 1935, President Roosevelt signed into
12 law the Social Security Act, which provided a safety net
13 designed to help disabled, retired or unemployed Americans
14 during financial hardships; and

15 WHEREAS, Many of the programs instituted by President
16 Roosevelt continue to operate today as a means to protect the
17 citizens of this great nation; and

18 WHEREAS, President Roosevelt epitomized the ideals of courage
19 and valor of a great leader as the United States stood at the
20 brink of global war; and

21 WHEREAS, President Roosevelt successfully led the United
22 States through the conflict and strife of World War II; and

23 WHEREAS, President Roosevelt devoted much of his time and
24 thought to the fundamental values of peace and the resolution of
25 conflict through nonviolent means, which he demonstrated through
26 his devotion to the founding of the United Nations; and

27 WHEREAS, Now the United States once again stands upon the
28 crest of trying times of war and crisis, wherein we hope the
29 current and future leaders will emulate the same harmonizing
30 characteristics of strength, honor and grace; and

1 WHEREAS, President Roosevelt served his country bravely until
2 his death on April 12, 1945, at the age of 63; therefore be it
3 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives honor President
4 Franklin Delano Roosevelt for his leadership through times of
5 chaos and struggle in celebration of the occasion of his birth.