House Resolution

A resolution in memory of Mayra Capote, victim of a tragic automobile accident.

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WHEREAS, a grieving mother and sister mourn the loss of a beautiful, vibrant life that was snuffed out on September 8, 1999, when 14-year-old Mayra Capote, along with two other students from Hialeah-Miami Lakes Senior High School, was killed in a tragic automobile accident as the three friends hurried back to school following an off-campus lunch break, and

WHEREAS, in response to this tragedy, and to prevent future tragedies relating to off-campus lunch periods, the Miami-Dade County public schools approved a plan of action to close all senior high school campuses during lunch periods by the opening of the school year 2004-2005, and

WHEREAS, born October 4, 1984, Mayra Capote was the light of her mother's eyes and the adored friend, caregiver, and protector of her older sister, Elizabeth, who has been disabled since birth and who keenly misses the companionship and affection of her sister, and

WHEREAS, Mayra Capote will forever be remembered by her mother, sister, and friends as a friendly, outgoing, happy child, loving and caring, with a special heart for those less fortunate than she, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the House of Representatives expresses its heartfelt condolences to the mother, sister, and friends of Mayra Capote. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Mayra and Elizabeth Capote, mother and sister, respectively, of the late young Mayra Capote, as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.