By Senator Hill

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing April 28, 2008, as "Workers' Memorial Day" in Florida.

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WHEREAS, 36 years ago Congress passed the Occupational Safety and Health Act, promising every American worker the right to a safe job, and

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WHEREAS, unions and their allies have fought hard to make that promise a reality, winning protections that have saved hundreds of thousands of lives and prevented millions of workplace injuries, and

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WHEREAS, the toll of workplace injuries, illnesses, and death nonetheless remains enormous, with 60,000 American workers dying from job-related injuries each year and another 15.6 million workers injured on the job, and

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WHEREAS, the unions of the AFL-CIO are committed to the continuing struggle to make workers' safety a priority and to keep and create good jobs in America, for American workers, and

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WHEREAS, America's economy and the health and vigor of
American society depend on the availability of decent jobs for
American workers and on the safety of those jobs, NOW, THEREFORE,

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Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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That April 28, 2008, is recognized as "Workers' Memorial Day" in the State of Florida in honor of the many American workers who have suffered injury and death on the job, and in recognition of the work of the unions of the AFL-CIO to protect

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9	the safety of American workers and to secure the availability of	
30	decent jobs for Americans.	

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