1                              House Memorial

2          A memorial to the Congress of the United States,

3              urging Congress to utilize its resources to ensure the

4              safe return of captive Robert Levinson from Iran.

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6          WHEREAS, Robert Levinson was kidnapped inside the Iranian

7     Peninsula on March 8, 2007, while working as a private citizen,

8     and

9          WHEREAS, Robert Levinson rendered valuable public service

10    to this nation before his retirement, serving as a special agent

11    with the Federal Bureau of Investigation for 22 years and with

12    the United States Drug Enforcement Administration for 6 years,

13    and

14         WHEREAS, Robert Levinson has been held captive in Iran for

15    almost 6 years, making his captivity one of the longest in

16    American history, and

17         WHEREAS, citizens of this great nation have worked

18    tirelessly to acquire over 25,000 signatures on behalf of Robert

19    Levinson to ensure that the Federal Government utilize all of

20    its diplomatic resources to secure his release and safe return

21    to his family in Coral Springs, Florida, and

22         WHEREAS, Robert Levinson's personal health has deteriorated

23    in captivity due to his diabetic condition and the lack of

24    access to proper medication to control that condition, likely

25    diminishing his ability to survive, NOW, THEREFORE,

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27    Be It Resolved by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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29    That the Florida Legislature respectfully petitions the

30  Congress of the United States to act on its moral obligation to

31  utilize all of the resources at its disposal to bring Robert

32  Levinson home to the United States to his family who has

33  vigilantly waited for his safe return.

34    BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be

35  dispatched to the President of the United States, to the

36  President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the

37  United States House of Representatives, and to each member of

38  the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.

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