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House Memorial

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2 A memorial to the Congress of the United States,
3 urging Congress to stop increases in the federal loan
4 guarantee program for new nuclear energy facilities
5 and rescind any remaining funds, eliminate funding for
6 mixed oxide plutonium fuel fabrication plants, support
7 energy efficiency and renewable sources of energy,
8 fund nuclear waste immobilization, increase funding
9 for environmental cleanup programs, enact a moratorium
10 by the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission on
11 nuclear waste operations until an appropriate, safe
12 way to transport and permanently store nuclear waste
13 is established and existing nuclear power plants and
14 temporary storage sites can be secured against
15 terrorist attacks, direct the United States Department
16 of Energy to monitor and ensure compliance with all
17 cleanup agreements and legacy management requirements,
18 and authorize a nationwide study to be conducted by
19 the United States National Security Council, the
20 United States Central Intelligence Agency, the United
21 States Department of Defense, the United States
22 Defense Intelligence Agency, and the United States
23 Department of Homeland Security to determine the best
24 energy mix with regard to national security.
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26 WHEREAS, the President of the United States and the United
 27 States Congress have taken the positive step of ending all
 28 funding for the Yucca Mountain nuclear repository site, which
 29 has already cost taxpayers \$96.2 billion, in an effort to
 30 provide taxpayers relief and protect our environment, and

31 WHEREAS, taxpayer dollars are being spent to fund the
 32 construction of mixed oxide plutonium fuel fabrication plants
 33 which will only exacerbate the environmental degradation of the
 34 areas surrounding the sites, and

35 WHEREAS, investing in less expensive, faster, cleaner, and
 36 safer renewable energy alternatives other than nuclear power and
 37 immobilizing nuclear waste should be our foremost economic and
 38 national security priorities, and

39 WHEREAS, sufficient funding for environmental cleanup is
 40 necessary to ensure compliance with cleanup agreements and
 41 legacy management requirements, and

42 WHEREAS, the United States Department of Energy has failed
 43 to adequately ensure that our environmental cleanup obligations
 44 are met and has fallen short on achieving the promise of
 45 renewable energy, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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 49 That the Congress of the United States is urged to:

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50 (1) Stop increases in the federal loan guarantee program
51 for the construction of new nuclear energy facilities and
52 rescind any remaining funds.

53 (2) Eliminate funding for mixed oxide plutonium fuel
54 fabrication plants.

55 (3) Support energy efficiency and renewable sources of
56 energy.

57 (4) Fund nuclear waste immobilization.

58 (5) Increase funding for environmental cleanup programs.

59 (6) Enact a moratorium by the United States Nuclear
60 Regulatory Commission on nuclear waste operations until an
61 appropriate, safe way to transport and permanently store nuclear
62 waste is established and existing nuclear power plants and
63 temporary storage sites can be secured against terrorist
64 attacks.

65 (7) Direct the United States Department of Energy to
66 monitor and ensure compliance with all cleanup agreements and
67 legacy management requirements.

68 (8) Authorize a nationwide study to be conducted by the
69 United States National Security Council, the United States
70 Central Intelligence Agency, the United States Department of
71 Defense, the United States Defense Intelligence Agency, and the
72 United States Department of Homeland Security to determine the
73 best energy mix with regard to national security.

74 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this memorial be
75 dispatched to the President of the United States, to the

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76 | President of the United States Senate, to the Speaker of the
77 | United States House of Representatives, and to each member of
78 | the Florida delegation to the United States Congress.