

By Representative Cosgrove

1 House Resolution

2 A resolution honoring the Florida Panthers.

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4 WHEREAS, during the 1995-1996 regular season of the
5 National Hockey League, the Florida Panthers compiled a record
6 of 41 wins, 31 losses, and 10 ties, and

7 WHEREAS, by the end of October 1995, the Florida
8 Panthers were first in the Eastern Conference and by the end
9 of December were first in both the Eastern and Western
10 Conferences, and

11 WHEREAS, by mid-November 1995, the Florida Panthers had
12 achieved a start in the 1995-1996 hockey season with a
13 phenomenal record of 14 wins, 4 losses, a season start that
14 some teams go more than 50 years without accomplishing, and

15 WHEREAS, during that start, the Florida Panthers had an
16 unbeaten streak of seven games, and

17 WHEREAS, by season's end, the Florida Panthers had
18 achieved a berth in the National Hockey League playoffs, and

19 WHEREAS, after defeating the Boston Bruins 4-1 in the
20 first round and the Philadelphia Flyers 4-2 in the second
21 round, the Florida Panthers won the Eastern Conference Finals
22 against the Pittsburgh Penguins, defeating them 4-3, thereby
23 advancing to the Stanley Cup Finals, the world championship of
24 the National Hockey League, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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29 That the Florida House of Representatives recognizes
30 the Florida Panthers for their excellent achievements in the
31 1995-1996 season of the National Hockey League and

1 congratulates them on winning the Eastern Conference
2 Championship for 1995-1996.

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