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House Resolution

A resolution designating May 1, 2014, as "Florida Transatlantic Trade and Investment Day" in the State of Florida.

WHEREAS, the transatlantic economy is the largest in the world, encompassing nearly 36 percent of the \$88 trillion global gross domestic product (GDP), and

WHEREAS, the European Union-United States High Level
Working Group on Jobs and Growth has called for an agreement to
remove constraints to economic growth between these two
entities, resulting in discussion of the Transatlantic Trade and
Investment Partnership, and

WHEREAS, the Transatlantic Trade and Investment Partnership envisions creating the world's largest free trade zone between the world's two largest economies with combined GDPs of more than \$31 trillion, and

WHEREAS, the European Union purchased Florida goods worth an estimated \$6.1 billion, accounting for 9 percent of Florida's total exported goods in 2012, and services worth \$9.3 billion, accounting for 30 percent of Florida's exported services in 2011, and

WHEREAS, small-sized and medium-sized companies accounted for 68 percent of exports originating from Florida in 2011, and one in six Florida manufacturing jobs depend on exports, and

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26 WHEREAS, the intent of the Transatlantic Trade and 27 Investment Partnership is to reduce restrictions on trade and free markets, increase exports, and increase manufacturing jobs, 28 29 NOW, THEREFORE, Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of 32 Florida:

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That May 1, 2014, is designated as "Florida Transatlantic Trade and Investment Day" in the State of Florida.

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