House Resolution 111 - Introduced

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 111

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- 1 A Resolution to honor the historical, political,
- 2 cultural, social, and economic relationship among
- 3 Canada, the United States, and Iowa and recognizing
- 4 February 17, 2010, as Canada Day at the Statehouse.
- 5 WHEREAS, Canada and the United States share not
- 6 only a 5,500-mile border, which is the world's longest
- 7 secure border, but also a common history, heritage,
- 8 and destiny based on shared ideals and democratic
- 9 principles; and
- 10 WHEREAS, relations between Canada and the United
- 11 States span more than two centuries, and the two
- 12 countries have developed one of the most successful
- 13 international relationships in the modern world; and
- 14 WHEREAS, for over 100 years Canada and the United
- 15 States have stood together as allies and defense
- 16 partners, fighting tyranny and terrorism in a
- 17 partnership that remains resolute even today; and
- 18 WHEREAS, the United States is Canada's largest
- 19 export market, with the United States importing \$343
- 20 billion in goods from Canada while exporting \$262
- 21 billion in goods to Canada; and
- 22 WHEREAS, the relationship between Canada and Iowa is
- 23 equally strong, combining a complex and growing network
- 24 of social, economic, and even familial ties; and
- 25 WHEREAS, it is estimated that 78,000 jobs in Iowa
- 26 are supported by Canada-United States trade; and
- 27 WHEREAS, Canada is Iowa's top export market, with

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- 1 Iowa exports to Canada valued at \$3.5 billion and Iowa
- 2 imports from Canada valued at \$4.2 billion; and
- 3 WHEREAS, Iowa exports to Canada include steel
- 4 products, oilseed cake and meal, organic chemicals,
- 5 air conditioning and refrigeration units, and
- 6 tractors, while Iowa imports include natural gas, oils,
- 7 fertilizers, live animals, and steel products; NOW
- 8 THEREFORE,
- 9 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, That
- 10 the House of Representatives honors the relationship
- 11 between the peoples and the governments of Canada,
- 12 the United States, and Iowa, allies in war, friends
- 13 and neighbors in peace, and partners in economic
- 14 prosperity; and
- 15 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That in honor of our strong
- 16 and growing relationship, the House of Representatives
- 17 recognizes February 17, 2010, as Canada Day at the Iowa
- 18 Statehouse.