

House Resolution 39 - Introduced

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1 1 HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. ____
1 2 BY ALONS, JACOBY, SMITH, SCHUELLER, WENDT,
1 3 THOMAS, QUIRK, KELLEY, FICKEN, WENTHE,
1 4 PALMER, HUSER, ABDUL=SAMAD, REASONER, T. OLSON,
1 5 R. OLSON, MAREK, SWAIM, BAILEY, GAYMAN, ZIRKELBACH,
1 6 PETERSEN, D. OLSON, OLDSON, SHOMSHOR,
1 7 BUKTA, WHITAKER, WHITEAD, GASKILL, FREVERT,
1 8 MASCHER, REICHERT, COHOON, BELL, LYKAM,
1 9 THEDE, BERRY, H. MILLER, KRESSIG, HEDDENS,
1 10 T. TAYLOR, D. TAYLOR, SCHULTZ, RAYHONS,
1 11 DRAKE, TYMESON, SODERBERG, PETTENGILL,
1 12 BAUDLER, RAECKER, HAGENOW, GRASSLEY, COWNIE,
1 13 WINDSCHITL, SORENSON, HORBACH, ARNOLD,
1 14 HUSEMAN, SWEENEY, KOESTER, DE BOEF, PAULSEN,
1 15 ROBERTS, WORTHAN, HELLAND, TJEPKES, WATTS,
1 16 L. MILLER, DEYOE, FORRISTALL, RANTS, DOLECHECK,
1 17 SANDS, LUKAN, S. OLSON, SCHULTE, HEATON,
1 18 MAY, VAN ENGELENHOVEN, UPMEYER, WAGNER,
1 19 KAUFMANN, and STRUYK
1 20 A Resolution honoring those Iowans who volunteered
1 21 their time and efforts providing aid and assistance
1 22 during the June 2008 flood.
1 23 WHEREAS, the June 2008 Iowa flood exceeded what
1 24 were considered 500-year-flood limits, with nine Iowa
1 25 rivers cresting at record levels and causing vast
1 26 amounts of damage; and
1 27 WHEREAS, as a result of the flood 83 counties were
1 28 declared disaster areas, hundreds of Iowa cities and
1 29 towns were impacted, and Iowa's agricultural economic
1 30 losses are estimated to exceed \$2 billion; and
2 1 WHEREAS, volunteers were desperately needed to help
2 2 restore homes, businesses, and the University of Iowa
2 3 facilities damaged by the ravaging flood, and Iowans
2 4 from all walks of life stepped forward to provide that
2 5 help; and
2 6 WHEREAS, during the summer and fall of 2008
2 7 thousands of volunteers from Iowa and from surrounding
2 8 states worked tirelessly, filling sandbags, shoring up
2 9 sagging levees, and later clearing debris and
2 10 restoring flood-damaged homes and businesses; and
2 11 WHEREAS, the recovery effort continues to this day,
2 12 evidenced by Governor Culver's signing of House File
2 13 64 on February 2, 2009, which appropriated \$56 million
2 14 for flood recovery efforts; NOW THEREFORE,
2 15 BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
2 16 That the House of Representatives honors all Iowans
2 17 who stepped forward in a time of crisis providing aid,
2 18 comfort, and hope to their fellow Iowans following the
2 19 flood of 2008.
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