

112<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
1<sup>ST</sup> SESSION

# H. RES. 102

Commemorating the city of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on its 100th anniversary.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 17, 2011

Mr. HASTINGS of Florida (for himself, Ms. BROWN of Florida, Ms. WASSERMAN SCHULTZ, Mr. DEUTCH, Ms. WILSON of Florida, Mr. DIAZ-BALART, Mr. BUCHANAN, Mr. ROSS of Florida, Mr. POSEY, and Mr. WEST) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform

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## RESOLUTION

Commemorating the city of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, on its 100th anniversary.

Whereas the city of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, will celebrate its Centennial Birthday in 2011 with events, educational programs, and capital projects throughout the year;

Whereas the city and its environs enjoy a long history and rich cultural heritage beginning thousands of years ago with the Glades Culture and Tequesta people;

Whereas the modern history of the area began in the early 1800s, when the Seminole Indians began settling in what is now Broward County, and were soon joined by White planters along the New River;

Whereas the city is named for a fortification built by Major William Lauderdale, who commanded a detachment of soldiers during the Second Seminole War, from 1835–1842, and two more forts were subsequently built bearing his name;

Whereas the area of Fort Lauderdale began to grow in the late 19th and early 20th centuries, as regional investments in rail, water, and road transportation provided greater access and enabled the establishment of trading posts and residential neighborhoods;

Whereas the city of Fort Lauderdale was incorporated on March 27, 1911, and became the seat of Broward County when the county was created in 1915;

Whereas the city began to grow into a resort town and shipping port, and by World War II was a major military base, with a prominent Naval Air Station whose pilots and submariners battled U-boats off the coast of Florida;

Whereas the postwar period saw decades of unprecedented growth and opportunity, making Broward the second largest county in Florida, and turning Fort Lauderdale into a major metropolitan area, commercial hub, and tourist destination;

Whereas the city has over 180,000 residents and over 10 million annual visitors;

Whereas Fort Lauderdale is home to Port Everglades, the Nation's third busiest cruise port;

Whereas the city is a major yachting center, with 42,000 resident yachts and over 100 marinas, and the annual Fort Lauderdale International Boat Show is the third largest in the world; and

Whereas the city's pristine beaches, entertainment centers, economic clout, transportation network, and livability make it an ideal destination for visitors to and residents in Florida: Now, therefore, be it

1       *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives—

2               (1) congratulates the city of Fort Lauderdale  
3       and its citizens on 100 years of cityhood; and

4               (2) recognizes and appreciates the significant  
5       economic and cultural impact of the city of Fort  
6       Lauderdale on the South Florida region and the Na-  
7       tion as a whole.

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