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Congratulating the Tampa Bay Buccaneers for winning Super Bowl XXXVII.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 27, 2003

Mr. DAVIS of Florida (for himself, Mr. YOUNG of Florida, Mr. BILIRAKIS, Ms. GINNY BROWN-WAITE of Florida, Ms. HARRIS, and Mr. PUTNAM) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Government Reform

RESOLUTION

Congratulating the Tampa Bay Buccaneers for winning
Super Bowl XXXVII.

Whereas, on Sunday, January 26, 2003, the Tampa Bay Buccaneers dominated Super Bowl XXXVII, defeating the Oakland Raiders by a score of 48–21;

Whereas the 27-year-old Buccaneers franchise won the National Football League's World Championship in their first-ever Super Bowl appearance;

Whereas coach Jon Gruden, in his first year as head coach of the Buccaneers, led the team to the pinnacle of success;

Whereas the Buccaneers overcame adversity and defeated the Oakland Raiders, a team credited with possessing the

number-one ranked offense in the National Football League;

Whereas throughout the season the Buccaneers were led by a number of players, most notably veterans Warren Sapp, Derrick Brooks and John Lynch, who banded together to form the number-one ranked defense in the National Football League;

Whereas owner Malcolm Glazer's unwavering dedication to bringing together the most talented coaches and players has resulted in the achievement of the most sought-after honor in professional football: the Vince Lombardi trophy;

Whereas the Buccaneers are an integral part of the Tampa Bay community;

Whereas the entire Tampa Bay community is proud of the Buccaneers and their extraordinary season and tremendous accomplishment;

Whereas this championship is especially satisfying to the dedicated Buccaneers fans who have loyally supported the team since their inception in 1976; a very long journey that has culminated in a Super Bowl victory and the recognition that the Buccaneers are the best football team in the world: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 *Resolved*, That the House of Representatives con-
- 2 gratulates the World Champion Tampa Bay Buccaneers
- 3 for their victory in Super Bowl XXXVII.

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