By Senator Thurston

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Senate Resolution

A resolution recognizing February 15 and 16, 2018, as "Kappas at the Kapitol Days" in Florida.

WHEREAS, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., is a public service organization founded on January 5, 1911, by 10 great men at Indiana University, in Bloomington, with the objective of uniting college men in a bond of fraternity, and

WHEREAS, the fraternity is committed to its vow to make great achievements in all fields of human endeavor by providing resources and services to the community, and

WHEREAS, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., is a brotherhood of college-educated men committed to executing the fraternity's ideals through many valuable programs such as Guide Right, a national service program that provides high school and college students with educational and occupational guidance; Diamonds in the Rough, a national campaign that promotes the academic, social, and service-based achievements of young men of color; and the National Kappa League, a program that provides educational, occupational, and social guidance to male students in grades 6 through 12, and

WHEREAS, for more than 100 years, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., has provided exemplary service and support to local communities by leading dialogue on public policy issues, supporting quality education, and producing new projects to stimulate current and future economic growth, and

WHEREAS, members of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., are clearly focused and visible as corporate and civic leaders, respected public officials, acclaimed academicians, and

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activists in their own right, and

WHEREAS, former Justice James E.C. Perry of the Florida
Supreme Court; Senators Oscar Braynon II and Perry E. Thurston,
Jr.; Representatives Clovis Watson, Jr., and Bobby B. DuBose;
former Senators Dwight M. Bullard, Daryl L. Jones, Matthew J.
"Matt" Meadows, and Leslie "Les" Miller; and former
Representatives Edward B. "Ed" Bullard, Josephus Eggelletion,
Jr., Edward L. "Ed" Jennings, Jr., Edwin Narain, and Alan B.
Williams are esteemed members of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity,
Inc., and

WHEREAS, Thomas L. Battles, Jr., the Grand Polemarch of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., hails from the Southern Province, which includes Florida, and

WHEREAS, on February 15 and 16, 2018, members of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., representing Florida will converge in Tallahassee for "Kappas at the Kapitol Days," NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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That February 15 and 16, 2018, are recognized as "Kappas at the Kapitol Days" in Florida in recognition of the many contributions that the members of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., have made to this state.