

By Senator Forman

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1 Senate Resolution No. \_\_\_\_

2 A resolution commending the osteopathic  
3 physicians of this state and recognizing March  
4 24, 1998, as Osteopathic Medicine Day.

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6 WHEREAS, osteopathic physicians offer health care  
7 services to more than 10 percent of the population, primarily  
8 in the area of primary care, and

9 WHEREAS, osteopathic physicians provide primary care  
10 services to their patients in more than 84 million patient  
11 visits in this country each year, and

12 WHEREAS, this state has 10 accredited osteopathic  
13 hospitals, an osteopathic medical college, and the fourth  
14 largest osteopathic physician population in the United States,  
15 and

16 WHEREAS, osteopathic manipulation of the  
17 musculoskeletal system is a viable and proven technique for  
18 many diagnoses and treatments and provides an alternative to  
19 many drug therapies, and

20 WHEREAS, osteopathic physicians provide comprehensive  
21 medical care, including preventive medicine, diagnoses, and  
22 the appropriate use of drugs, surgery, manipulation, and  
23 hospital referrals, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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27 That the Florida Senate commends the osteopathic  
28 physicians of this state for their contributions to the health  
29 and welfare of the residents of this state and recognizes  
30 March 24, 1998, as Osteopathic Medicine Day.

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