Florida:

 That the House of Representatives of the State of Florida hereby proclaims May 1997 as "Stroke Awareness Month" in Florida.

House Resolution

A resolution declaring May 1997 as "Stroke Awareness Month."

WHEREAS, the National Stroke Association is dedicated to helping people in Florida cope with stroke through its network of support groups, through its Road Ahead Program, a community outreach program, and through educational and referral programs, and

WHEREAS, the National Stroke Association in Florida wishes to reach out to all residents of the state who have been or might in the future be affected by stroke, the number one cause of adult disability, and

WHEREAS, the National Stroke Association's initiative will dramatically elevate public understanding of the importance of learning stroke warning signs, and taking immediate action if they occur, and will assist in the identification of large numbers of individuals with previously undetected or uncontrolled stroke risk factors, especially hypertension and atrial fibrillation, and

WHEREAS, the initiative should further result in large numbers of individuals taking action to reduce their stroke risk and a substantial decrease in the incidence of stroke in the state, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of