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House Resolution

A resolution designating June 1997 as Prostate
Cancer Awareness Month.

WHEREAS, prostate cancer is the most common type of
cancer among men in the United States and in Florida, and the
second leading cause of cancer deaths among men, and

WHEREAS, an estimated 334,500 men in the United States
will be diagnosed with prostate cancer during 1997, and 25,400
of them will be citizens of Florida, and

WHEREAS, an estimated 41,800 men in the United States
will die from prostate cancer in 1997, and 3,200 of them will
be citizens of Florida, and

WHEREAS, non-Caucasian men in Florida have a 50-percent
higher risk of being diagnosed with prostate cancer than do
Caucasian men, and

WHEREAS, non-Caucasian men in Florida who have prostate
cancer are more than twice as likely to die of the disease
than are Caucasian men, and

WHEREAS, June 10-17 has been designated by the United
States Congress as National Men's Health Week, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the Florida House of Representatives hereby
declares June 1997 as Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in
Florida and urges all men to become aware of the risks and
symptoms associated with prostate cancer and to be informed
about screening tests, methods for early detection, and
treatment.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that education and screening
2 programs for high-risk populations be emphasized during the
3 month.
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