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House Resolution

A resolution honoring the Miami Jewish Home and Hospital for the Aged at Douglas Gardens.

WHEREAS, the Miami Jewish Home and Hospital for the Aged at Douglas Gardens is celebrating its 50th Anniversary, and

WHEREAS, since its beginning in 1945 when the home provided care for just 23 elderly Jewish widows and widowers in a one-story house, the Miami Jewish Home has grown into the largest nonprofit provider of comprehensive and humanistic geriatric care, services, and programs in the Southeastern United States, and

WHEREAS, the Miami Jewish Home has preserved its guiding philosophy of fostering independent living for the elderly with dignity and has continually expanded its dynamic programs and services to meet the diverse needs of Florida's rapidly growing elderly population, and

WHEREAS, when describing the Miami Jewish Home, Judge Irving Cypen who has served as Chairman of the Board and Honorary President for more than 40 years says, "This is not where you come to idle away your twilight years, it is where you come to have a second chance at life," and

WHEREAS, the Miami Jewish Home today provides a second chance at life for more than 600 residents and an estimated 8,000 others through outreach centers and programs throughout the state, and

WHEREAS, the Miami Jewish Home has been recognized as an international leader in the field of geriatric care and has evolved into a prototype center which has been toured and

1 utilized as a resource by gerontology professionals from all
2 over the world, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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7 That the Miami Jewish Home and Hospital for the Aged at
8 Douglas Gardens be recognized on this 50th Anniversary of its
9 operation and be commended for its half-century of achievement
10 in providing comprehensive and humanistic care, services, and
11 programs for the elderly of the State of Florida.

12 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution,
13 with the Seal of the House of Representatives affixed, be
14 presented to the Miami Jewish Home and Hospital for the Aged
15 at Douglas Gardens as a tangible token of the sentiments
16 expressed herein.

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