1 House Resolution 2 A resolution recognizing the week of November 3 15-21, 1998, as "Florida Storytelling Week." 4 5 WHEREAS, the art of storytelling is a valuable method 6 of sharing American folklore and contributes to the historical 7 knowledge of our state, and 8 WHEREAS, the art of storytelling contributes to the 9 self-esteem of students as they learn the state's folklore and 10 share their stories with the community, and 11 WHEREAS, the art of storytelling is a vibrant part of 12 our living history involving many storytellers and exposing 13 countless students and citizens to its values, and WHEREAS, the art of storytelling embraces the history 14 and lore of diverse cultures, including Native American, 15 16 African-American, Caribbean, and Western European, as well as native Floridian, and exposes all Floridians to the richness 17 of our differences while fostering understanding through 18 knowledge, and 19 20 WHEREAS, the Florida Storytellers Guild, Inc., consists 21 of numerous storytellers in 5 regions throughout the state, 22 who preserve, perpetuate, and promote the art of storytelling in Florida by educating and encouraging storytellers for the 23 entertainment and edification of listeners, allowing 24 individuals and cultures to sense the value of sharing 25 26 stories, NOW, THEREFORE, 27 28 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of 29 Florida: 30 31

That the Florida House of Representatives does hereby proclaim the week of November 15-21, 1998, to be "Florida Storytelling Week." BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be presented to Florida Storytellers Guild, Inc., Myra Davis, Administrator as a tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.