

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, 1999, 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,
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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, 1999, as Osteopathic Medicine Day.

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