

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 provide health care
7 services that account for more than 100 million patient visits
8 in this country each year, and

9 WHEREAS, this state has nine accredited osteopathic
10 hospitals, an osteopathic medical college, and the fourth
11 largest osteopathic physician population in the United States,
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13 WHEREAS, since 1990, the number of active osteopathic
14 physicians in this state has increased by 47 percent, and

15 WHEREAS, osteopathic manipulation of the
16 musculoskeletal system is a viable and proven technique for
17 many diagnoses and treatments and provides an alternative to
18 many drug therapies, and

19 WHEREAS, osteopathic physicians provide comprehensive
20 medical care, including preventive medicine, diagnoses, and
21 the appropriate use of drugs, surgery, manipulation, and
22 hospital referrals, NOW, THEREFORE,

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24 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:

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26 That the Florida Senate commends the osteopathic
27 physicians of this state for their contributions to the health
28 and welfare of the residents of this state and recognizes
29 March 24, 1999, as Osteopathic Medicine Day.

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