By Representative Logan

House Resolution

A resolution recognizing April 7th and 8th as "Miami-Dade County Days" in Tallahassee.

WHEREAS, in 1836, the Florida Legislative Council created Dade County, naming it after Major Francis Langhorn Dade, who had recently been killed by Seminole Indians, and

WHEREAS, by 1896, Henry Flagler had extended his railroad south to Miami and built the Royal Palm Hotel at the mouth of the Miami River, and the City of Miami was incorporated with 368 voters, and

WHEREAS, in 1957, the voters of Dade County approved the Home Rule Charter, which allowed the formation of a form of government for Dade County as it exists today, and

WHEREAS, in 1997, the voters of Dade County approved the change of name of the county to Miami-Dade County, and the Board of County Commissioners implemented that change by ordinance, and

WHEREAS, Miami-Dade County encompasses more than 2,000 square miles and currently has a population that exceeds 2 million, and

WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes Miami-Dade County for its history of cultural richness and diversity and for its contribution to the state's economy, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That April 7th and 8th are recognized as "Miami-Dade County Days."

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