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1 Senate Resolution No. ____
2 A resolution recognizing March as Colorectal
3 Cancer Awareness Month and urging all men and
4 women to become aware of the risks and symptoms
5 associated with colorectal cancer.
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7 WHEREAS, colorectal cancer is the second leading cause
8 of cancer deaths in Florida, and
9 WHEREAS, it is estimated that this year physicians will
10 diagnose 9,100 cases of colorectal cancer in Florida, and
11 WHEREAS, nationally less than 50 percent of individuals
12 above age 50 receive annual screenings for colorectal cancer,
13 and
14 WHEREAS, adopting a healthy diet at a young age can
15 significantly reduce the risk of developing colorectal cancer,
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17 WHEREAS, March is also recognized as National Nutrition
18 Awareness Month and the prevention of colorectal cancer is
19 highly dependent on dietary factors, and
20 WHEREAS, regular screenings can save many lives, and
21 WHEREAS, education can help inform the public of
22 methods of prevention and symptoms of early detection, NOW,
23 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 recognizes March as Colorectal
28 Cancer Awareness Month in Florida, and urges all men and
29 women, and particularly members of high-risk populations, to
30 become aware of the risks and symptoms associated with
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1 colorectal cancer and to become informed concerning screening
2 tests and methods for early detection and treatment.
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