

By Senator Miller

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1 Senate Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_

2 A resolution recognizing June 2001 as Prostate  
3 Cancer Awareness Month.

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5 WHEREAS, prostate cancer is the most common type of  
6 cancer among men in the United States and in Florida, and the  
7 second leading cause of cancer death among men, and

8 WHEREAS, more than 180,000 men in the United States are  
9 diagnosed with prostate cancer each year, and approximately  
10 14,000 of them are residents of Florida, and

11 WHEREAS, over 41,000 men in the United States die each  
12 year from prostate cancer, and approximately 2,400 of them are  
13 residents of Florida, and

14 WHEREAS, men who are members of a racial minority have  
15 a 50 percent higher risk of being diagnosed with prostate  
16 cancer and are more than twice as likely to die from the  
17 disease, and

18 WHEREAS, Florida has the second-highest number of  
19 prostate cancer cases and deaths in the United States, and

20 WHEREAS, June is a month in which we commemorate men by  
21 the observance of Father's Day and of National Men's Health  
22 Week, 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 recognizes June 2001 as  
27 Prostate Cancer Awareness Month in Florida and urges all men,  
28 and particularly members of high-risk populations, to become  
29 aware of the risks and symptoms associated with prostate  
30 cancer and to be informed about screening tests, methods for  
31 early detection, and treatment.