

By Senator Fasano

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1 Senate Resolution No. ____

2 A resolution recognizing May 2003 as "Florida
3 Osteoporosis-Prevention Month."

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5 WHEREAS, osteoporosis is a debilitating disease that
6 decreases bone mass and causes them to become fragile and more
7 likely to break, and

8 WHEREAS, osteoporosis afflicts more than 44 million
9 people throughout the nation and costs more than \$17 billion
10 annually in medical care and treatment, and

11 WHEREAS, by the year 2010, the number of Americans
12 afflicted by osteoporosis is expected to climb to 52 million,
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14 WHEREAS, more than 2 million Floridians presently
15 suffer from osteoporosis, which causes more than 22,000 hip
16 fractures annually, and

17 WHEREAS, osteoporosis is a true threat to public
18 health, but can be prevented by eating foods high in calcium,
19 getting plenty of physical exercise, not smoking, and limiting
20 alcohol use, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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24 That the Florida Senate recognizes May 2003 as "Florida
25 Osteoporosis-Prevention Month."

26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution,
27 with the Seal of the Senate affixed, be presented to the
28 Honorable Jeb Bush, Governor of the State of Florida, with a
29 request that he declare May 2003 as "Florida
30 Osteoporosis-Prevention Month."

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