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House Resolution

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2 A resolution designating March 18, 2003, as "Stetson
3 University Day."

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5 WHEREAS, established in 1883 as Florida's first private
6 university, Stetson University is a comprehensive university
7 comprised of four strong colleges and schools in three Florida
8 locations, with a fourth campus slated for completion in the
9 fall of 2003, and offers study-abroad programs at eight foreign
10 centers, and

11 WHEREAS, Stetson offers 60 majors and minors through its
12 Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business Administration, and
13 Music located on its historic campus in DeLand, and its College
14 of Law, the state's first law school, has educated attorneys for
15 more than a century and now offers continuing legal education
16 programs to regional, national, and international audiences, and

17 WHEREAS, Stetson's duPont-Ball Library houses the state's
18 first federal document depository, established in 1887; its
19 college-level Model Senate program is the first such program
20 established in the country and is a prototype for the nation;
21 and Stetson was the first private university in the state to
22 integrate, and

23 WHEREAS, currently, 74 percent of Stetson University
24 undergraduates are Florida residents, nine of its alumni are
25 serving as members of the Legislature, and students from 43
26 nations are enrolled in its Center for International Education,
27 and

28 WHEREAS, the university's 174 professors are committed to
29 blending superior teaching with scholarly research, and its
30 University Values Council was created in 1998 to integrate



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31 values into the learning process, focusing on areas such as
32 religious and spiritual life, ethical decisionmaking, diversity,
33 and community service, NOW, THEREFORE,
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35 Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of
36 Florida:

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38 That the House of Representatives warmly welcomes members
39 of this prestigious university to the Capitol and hereby
40 designates March 18, 2003, as "Stetson University Day."

41 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be
42 presented to Stetson University's President Doug Lee as a
43 tangible token of the sentiments expressed herein.