

HR 9039 2003

House Resolution

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

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

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

WHEREAS, Stetson's duPont-Ball Library houses the state's first federal document depository, established in 1887, and its college-level Model Senate program is the first such program established in the country and is a prototype for the nation, and

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

WHEREAS, the university's more than 200 professors are committed to blending superior teaching with scholarly research, and its University Values Council was created in 1998 to



HR 9039 integrate values into the learning process, focusing on areas such as religious and spiritual life, ethical decision-making, diversity, and community service, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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

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