

By Senator Jones

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1                                   Senate Resolution No. \_\_\_\_  
2           A resolution recognizing April 13 and 14, 2004,  
3           as Legislative Massage Therapy Awareness Days.  
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5           WHEREAS, members of the Florida State Massage Therapy  
6 Association and the Florida Chapter of the American Massage  
7 Therapy Association throughout the state are actively involved  
8 in public awareness and health programs to improve the health  
9 and quality of life of Florida residents, and  
10           WHEREAS, the Florida State Massage Therapy Association  
11 and the Florida Chapter of the American Massage Therapy  
12 Association are celebrating their fifteenth anniversary and  
13 have been holding Legislative Massage Therapy Awareness Days  
14 at the Florida Capitol since 1988 for the purpose of educating  
15 the State Legislature and the public concerning the many  
16 health benefits of massage therapy, and  
17           WHEREAS, licensed massage therapists have been licensed  
18 and regulated in the State of Florida since 1943, and as of  
19 2004 there are over 22,000 massage therapists licensed by the  
20 state, and  
21           WHEREAS, massage therapy is a low-cost, high-quality  
22 means of enhancing and restoring health, and  
23           WHEREAS, increased awareness of the benefits of massage  
24 therapy will lead to improved health and vitality of the  
25 residents of the State of Florida, and  
26           WHEREAS, the Legislature recognizes massage therapy for  
27 wellness and preventive health measures, NOW, THEREFORE,  
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29 Be It Resolved by the Senate of the State of Florida:  
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1           That the Florida Senate recognizes April 13 and 14,  
2 2004, as "Legislative Massage Therapy Awareness Days."  
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