

By Senator Saunders

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1 Senate Resolution No. ____

2 A resolution recognizing the week of June
3 21-25, 2004, as "Humane Society Appreciation
4 Week" in Florida.

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6 WHEREAS, there are currently 48 humane societies in the
7 State of Florida, serving 40 counties in the struggle with
8 domestic animal overpopulation, and

9 WHEREAS, humane societies work to promote animal
10 adoption and education, eliminate animal overpopulation,
11 prevent animal cruelty, and relieve animal suffering, and

12 WHEREAS, humane societies have diligently served many
13 Florida communities for as many as 44 years, and

14 WHEREAS, the estimated population of more than 800,000
15 unwanted and stray animals euthanized in Florida each year
16 constitutes a potential health risk for rabies and other
17 contagious diseases in this state, and

18 WHEREAS, in 2003 humane societies served to locate
19 permanent homes for many thousands of unwanted animals and
20 promoted regional spay/neuter campaigns as a preventive and
21 responsible measure for controlling the animal overpopulation
22 in Florida, and

23 WHEREAS, humane societies are staffed by an estimated
24 10,000 Florida residents who unselfishly volunteer their time,
25 energy, and expertise, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

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29 That the humane societies across this state are
30 commended for protecting the health, safety, and welfare of
31 the people and animals of Florida.

1 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the week of June 21-25,
2 2004, is recognized as "Humane Society Appreciation Week."
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