

By Senator Smith

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1 Senate Resolution No. ____

2 A resolution recognizing April 29, 2004, as

3 "Tallahassee Donation Awareness Day" and

4 encouraging Floridians to become part of the

5 Florida Organ and Tissue Donor Registry.

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7 WHEREAS, the Florida Senate recognizes the

8 contributions made every day by families, members, donor

9 organizations, and private citizens in prolonging life and

10 improving the quality of life for fellow human beings through

11 organ and tissue donation, and

12 WHEREAS, the effectiveness of organ and tissue donation

13 depends upon government and private entities working together

14 to provide educational tools that encourage families and

15 individuals to make conscious choices about their lives, and

16 WHEREAS, in the United States more than 84,500

17 individuals are on the National Organ Donor Waiting List, and

18 WHEREAS, Florida currently has more than 3,000

19 individuals on the National Organ Donor Waiting List, and

20 WHEREAS, 18 people die each day due to a lack of

21 donated organs and tissues, and

22 WHEREAS, the Florida Senate recognizes the dedication,

23 selflessness, and contributions made by donor families who

24 choose to provide the ultimate "Gift of Life" so that others

25 might live, or enjoy an improved quality of life, NOW,

26 THEREFORE,

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

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30 That April 29, 2004, is recognized as "Tallahassee

31 Donation Awareness Day" and all residents of this state are

1 encouraged to become part of the Florida Organ and Tissue
2 Donor Registry and contribute to the Florida Organ and Tissue
3 Donor Trust Fund in order to provide a higher quality of life
4 for others.
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