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House Resolution

A resolution recognizing April 2004 as "Vitiligo Awareness Month."

WHEREAS, vitiligo is a genetic autoimmune disorder of unknown etiology that affects many Americans both aesthetically and emotionally, and

WHEREAS, an estimated six million Americans are afflicted with vitiligo, including men, women, and children of all ages and ethnicities, and

WHEREAS, although defined as a skin disorder, vitiligo is also an autoimmune disease and those afflicted run the risk of Addison's disease, hypothyroidism, hyperthyroidism, pernicious anemia, and alopecia areata, and

WHEREAS, the American Vitiligo Research Foundation, Inc., has designated the month of April as "Vitiligo Awareness Month" in an attempt to promote knowledge regarding this disease, to help those who suffer from its effects, and to reduce the discrimination now suffered by many of its victims, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the House of Representatives joins in the recognition of April 2004 as "Vitiligo Awareness Month," urges all Floridians to become more knowledgeable of the symptoms and tragic effects of this disease, and extends to the American

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29 | Vitiligo Research Foundation, Inc., its sincere wishes for
30 | speedy success in its search for a cure for vitiligo.