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House Resolution

A resolution honoring women in Florida agriculture.

WHEREAS, Florida's agricultural industry has a significant impact on the economy of the state, and 18 percent of the farmers in Florida are women, and

WHEREAS, women are key to development of rural areas through their contributions to sustainable agriculture and rural development, including food security, and

WHEREAS, as Florida's agricultural industry has changed dramatically during the past 20 years, so too has the role of the state's farm women, and

WHEREAS, women in agriculture are being called upon to educate the public about farm issues and farm life and to represent agriculture in the public policy arena, and

WHEREAS, women in agriculture are directly involved in production, and a growing number are serving in political leadership positions on the state and local levels, and

WHEREAS, March 29, 2005, is an appropriate day on which to honor women in Florida agriculture, NOW, THEREFORE,

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

That the House of Representatives proudly recognizes and enthusiastically salutes all women involved in Florida's agricultural industry and commends them for their vital role in protecting the state's agricultural environment.